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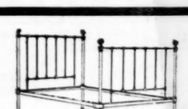

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John Elliott, Adm'r of Stephen Royal, dec'd, Sarah E Royal, widow, and Annie E. Elliott, Mortgagee.

vs

M. E. Royal, James N. Royal, and others, heirs at law of Stephen Royal, dec'd.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale made in the Special Proceeding to sell land for assets, pending in the Superior Court of Cumberland County, N. C., I will expose to public sale at the Court House door in Fayetteville, N. C., on **Monday, 21st March, 1898,** at 12, o'clock, M., the following described real estate of my intestate, Stephen Royal, situated in Flea Hill Township, Cumberland County, N. C.:

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JOHN ELLIOT,
Adm'r of Stephen Royal, dec'd.
Feb. 17, 1898—ow4w

Executor's Notice.

The undersigned having qualified as Executor to the last will and testament of Elizabeth Chance, gives notice to all persons having claims against the estate of Elizabeth Chance to present the same on or before the 13th day of Feb., 1899 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will please make immediate payment.

C. H. McLAUCHLIN,
Executor Elizabeth Chance.
J. G. SHAW, Atty.
Feb 13,1898. w4t

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FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER,

A BRYAN DEMOCRATIC NEWSPAPER.

The OBSERVER is the leading advocate in North Carolina of the policy of turning out the present Goldbug-Fusion Government, now disgracing the State, by a reunion of the whites whom VANCE led to victory. It is for **WHITE REUNION** against **BLACK FUSION.**

It opposes any political movement by Democrats outside of the Democratic organization. It stands by every plank in the Chicago platform, as the true expression of Democracy. Accepting the restoration of "White Supremacy" as the paramount issue, it believes that the Democracy should lose no time in shaping its course to that end. It is plain that the blacks, who rigidly drew the color line in the late election, will not assist the whites in the restoration of white supremacy. It is equally plain that the Republican aliens of the blacks, who have demonstrated their negrophilism by thirty years of fusion with the blacks, will not assist in restoring white supremacy. The Observer therefore favors consideration of the question, "How shall the reunion of the two wings of Vance's Democracy be effected," so that the masses of the Democratic party may be justly represented in the next Convention. It is unalterably opposed to fusion—that is, to any political combination which requires a sacrifice of Democratic principles as duly expressed by the party.

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A VERY SERIOUS CHARGE.

Our attention has been called to an editorial in a newspaper which bolted the Democratic ticket in 1896 and also kept at the head of its columns a standing advice to its readers to do so, in which the assertion is made that Mr. C. B. Watson, late Democratic candidate for Governor, and Mr. C. B. Aycock, late U. S. District Attorney, have given what the newspaper in question calls "a lively jolt" to certain three new papers. The three newspapers are those which have been waging a defensive war against the efforts of the newspaper in question to induce the Democratic party in North Carolina to cut loose from the national organization. Mr. Watson is represented by this newspaper as having delivered his "lively jolt" at the meeting of the Democratic State executive committee on the 30th of November last, and Mr. Aycock his jolt at the meeting of the committee held on the 22nd of February just past.

Now Messrs. Watson and Aycock are, neither of them, members of the committee, while the editors of each of the three papers referred to are. Messrs. Watson and Aycock were, therefore, present at the meetings mentioned by the courtesy of the committee of which those editors are members. The Democratic public, who have so honored Messrs. Watson and Aycock, will not believe that the would be guilty of such an unpardonable breach of good manners as the bolting paper charges them with, in the absence of their own admission that it is true. Especially are the public justified in holding this view when it is borne in mind that the "warfare" complained of by the bolting paper was not a strife within the ranks of the party at all, but a battle between the three newspapers whose editors remained loyal to the Democratic organization, on the one hand, and the bolting newspaper and its Palmer and Buckner associates, on the other—a battle forced upon the loyal newspapers by the efforts of the disloyal ones to secure a practical condonation of their bolting in 1896, by inducing the whole party in the State to bolt in 1898.

As we have said, the party will not believe that Messrs. Watson and Aycock were guilty of the bad manners imputed to them by this bolter, nor of the disloyal conduct, similarly imputed, of taking the side of the bolters against the loyal members of the press, without much stronger evidence than the word of a bolter.

The question, by the way, naturally arises as to the source from which this bolting newspaper gets its information concerning the committee's proceedings. As its latest performance in this direction has gone without rebuke for nearly a week, it becomes necessary to say that we have been informed that a resolution embodying the views imputed by the bolter to Mr. Watson was introduced on the 30th of November by another than he (not a member of the committee), and that it was sat down upon so hard that it was withdrawn or pocketed. Furthermore, as the resolutions of the 30th of November were simply the embodiment of the views of the three loyal newspapers as threshed out in the "warfare" complained of, and the resolutions of the 22nd of February is understood to have been offered by the editor of one of those loyal papers and supported by the editors of the other two, and as both resolutions were according to the bolting newspaper unanimously passed, it would appear, as the record now stands, unlikely that Messrs. Watson and Aycock could have done any thing of the kind imputed to them.

From all of which it becomes increasingly evident that, in the absence of the official pronouncement against the authenticity of the reports of the committee's proceedings given out by the bolting newspaper, the Democratic party is suffering serious damage for the want of full stenographic reports of all its proceedings and the official promulgation thereof.

THE LEE INCIDENT.

We gave yesterday some account of the motives back of the Spanish request that General Lee be recalled by the United States from his Consular post. A Madrid telegram contains the following in further detail concerning the first steps taken in the matter by the Spanish government:

"The United States minister General Stewart L. Woodford, had a conference at the Spanish foreign ministry on Thursday last [March 3rd] with Senor Gullon, the minister for foreign affairs, and an official of the ministry for foreign affairs, who acted as interpreter. Senor Gullon expressed the desire of the Spanish government that General Lee be recalled 'as proof of the good will of the United States.'"

General Woodford cabled the request at once to Washington, and the reply of the United States was communicated to Minister Guilon on Saturday.

A Washington telegram, which lets the Spaniards down with some sort of grace, finishes the "incident"—which may now be considered as "closed"—as follows:

"It is learned that Spain's suggestion was made originally upon a misapprehension which was due to a newspaper report. This report was to the effect that General Lee had expressed the opinion to a newspaper correspondent that the Spanish authorities were responsible for the disaster to the Maine. Accepting this report as to General Lee's expression as accurate, the Spanish prime minister brought the matter to Minister Woodford's attention, making at the same time the suggestion that General Lee's recall would be gratifying to Spain.

It did not require a great while for Spain to discover that General Lee had been, according to the United States authorities, incorrectly represented. Before this discovery was made, however, the reply of President McKinley, refusing to heed the suggestion and expressing a determination to keep General Lee at his post, was received. Spain then retired from her position, basing her retirement upon the ground that original suggestions had been founded upon a misapprehension of facts."

Meanwhile, General Lee is said, and no doubt truly, to be in great danger of assassination at the hands of some treacherous Spaniard.

Certainly General Lee has borne himself with consummate propriety as well as with the most modest courage. He was never accounted a brilliant man, though acquitting himself admirably as a dashing cavalry division commander in the late war, and serving his native Virginia becomingly as Governor since. But the Lee blood seems to have supplied him with a *savoir faire* which is often more serviceable than high talents or genius.

The University Magazine.

The University Magazine for February is an interesting number. The contents are: Alumni Building; The Harvard Man, by H. H. Horne; Job and Sartor Resartus, by C. H. Johnston; The Physicians in the Convention of 1861, by J. G. McCormick; Neighbors of Mine, by T. G. Pearson; A Touch of Nature, by Mary S. MacRae; The Mysterious Voice, by W.; Two Autumn Scenes, by F. S. Faison, Jr.; Editorials, &c.

The frontispiece is a handsome lithograph of the beautiful new Alumni Building, which is in course of building. The following descriptive article accompanies it:

"As our frontispiece, we present a picture of the Alumni Building, which is now in process of erection and will, when completed, be a handsome and much needed addition to the University buildings. The almost marvelous growth of the institution has made such a building an imperative necessity. The increase in the number of departments has demanded more lecture rooms and laboratories, and these have been fitted up by decreasing the number of dormitories so that, on account of the large increase in the number of students, the college dormitories are inadequate for their accommodation and about one half of them have been forced to seek apartments in the village. All the administrative offices, and lecture rooms together with the departments of Physics and Electrical Engineering will be situated in the new building. Their former quarters will then be available as dormitories furnishing about forty additional rooms.

"It will be situated directly opposite the Chemical Laboratory (Person Hall) and in front of the Old and New East Buildings. Modelled after the Public Library of Boston with the addition of portico and facade, it will be a splendid specimen of architecture. Granite and the best quality of buff brick are to be used in its construction.

"The whole cost will not exceed $25,000. $20,000 have been subscribed payable in five installments. Two of these have been called for and as a result $6,900 have been paid in. On bronze tablets placed in the public reception room will be graven the names of those to whom its erection is due. More money must be given before this sorely needed structure can be completed. Despite its limited means, the University has been steadily growing, and without this building, it seems as if its expansion must suffer a check for a time at least.

"Julian S. Carr, Richard H. Lewis, J. W. Fries, Francis D. Winston, Locke Craig, and President Alderman constitute the building committee. Frank P. Milburn of Charlotte is the architect.

"It is eminently fitting that the corner-stone of this building, whose completion will mean so much to the University, should be laid with appropriate ceremonies. This event will be one of the most interesting and impressive connected with the exercises of the coming commencement. It will occur on June 1st."

But what chiefly interests us are the following witty verses by Miss Mary S. MacRae, our fair townswoman and sometime editor of the Society Column in the OBSERVER, now one of the four lady students at the University:

A TOUCH OF NATURE.

'Twould turn an old and ugly head
(And hers was fair and young instead)
At first appearance to command
The greatest violin of the land
As obligato.

And while the master fiddle spoke
Her introduction there awoke
In me the thought "Does bird love best
His song, his feathers, or the nest
That he is feathering?"

Did our thoughts meet? Such things occur!
She smiled at me: I smiled at her.
The epidemic quickly spread
Throughout the house. The master's head
Turned and she sang.

Was the applause that rang so long
Meant more for singer or for song,
I cannot tell; but mine that smile
Which held the audience the while
And hers my encore.

High stands conceit in Nature's plan!
I have not met a single man
Of that night's audience but deceived
Himself until he quite believed
She smiled at him.

MARY S. MACRAE.

The Washington Post Almanac.

The Washington Post has our thanks for a copy of its "Washington Post Almanac and Encyclopedia" for 1898. So far as our observation goes, this is by far the best of any of the newspaper publications of like character. It contains over 500 pages and is a mine of information. It will be invaluable to the political canvassers in the coming campaign, and not less so to professional and business men generally. Price 25 cents.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

We welcome to our exchange list the Morning News of Kinston. It is bright and newsy, and is edited by Mr. D. W. Whitaker, formerly of Trenton, and a brother, we believe, of that staunch Jones county Democrat, Mr. T. C. Whitaker.

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If there is one thing more than another which specially distinguishes our superior friends, the mugwumps, it is their large outfit of what the vulgar call "gall." They bolted in the last election and openly declare that they will bolt in this, if things don't go to suit their minority views. Yet they have the effrontery not only to advise Democrats—men of a party whose cardinal doctrine is obedience to the will of the majority—but to call themselves Democrats.

Is War Inevitable?

It is the general opinion of the big New York papers that war between this country and Spain is inevitable, even if the court of inquiry should decide that the blowing up of the Maine was an accident. It is a well known fact that this government has informed Spain that hostilities must soon cease in Cuba, and it is as well known that Spain has not paid any attention to this request and will not pay any. The President is quoted as saying that this country must intervene to stop hostilities in Cuba and that in his opinion war is inevitable.

Wade Hampton Explains

A Columbia (S. C.) telegram says:

In Gen. Wade Hampton's recent interview on the war situation, as published in The Sun, he advised against Southern troops taking part in a war with Spain on the ground that this part of the country was too depleted by the civil war to stand another. Gen. Hampton's purpose seems to have been not to pose as a fire eater. But the sentiments published met with universal disfavor throughout the State, and he has written a card to the "State," in which he says:

"When asked what course the South should pursue in the event of war (which would be inevitable if the Maine had been blown up by treachery) I replied that our Southern States had been desolated by the recent war; that they were only now recovering from its effects, and that I thought they should not rush madly into another; that of course every citizen would of right be called on to defend his country should war unhappily occur.

"It was in reference to what I considered the sensational, if not hysterical, rush of offers of service that I advised our people to keep quiet, leaving such volunteering to the North. It never for a moment entered into my mind that the men of the South should refuse our aid to the Government of the country should a foreign war take place. On more than one public occasion I have said that 'this was now our country; we have no other, and it is the duty of every patriot to make that country the fit abode of freemen for all time to come.' This sentiment was honestly expressed, and it is still honestly entertained.

"I was averse to public explanations, but since the matter has obtained publicity I desire to set myself right on my own account and on that of my friends. I took it for granted that those of the latter who know me knew what my course would be should war occur. I may perhaps, be regarded too old to participate in a war, but it is probable that my old comrades of the recent conflict would find me in the future, as in the past, standing shoulder to shoulder with them in defence of the country."

Death of Capt. Thomas E. Dudley.

The Bennettsville Advocate of February 17th contains a notice of the death of Capt. Thomas Edward Dudley, which occurred at his residence in that town two days before.

Old Donaldson Academy students will recall "Tom" Dudley, who was a student at that institution in the early Fifties along with a number of others who came in those days from the upper South Carolina counties. He was a quiet, studious boy, of excellent mind and noble character, and was popular with both teachers and pupils of that noted old school.

Our Bennettsville contemporary, in the course of its notice, says:

Capt. T. E. Dudley was born in Bennettsville, November 5, 1836, and was therefore 61 years of age. He was perhaps the oldest native born citizen of our town, and from early manhood had been interested in the growth and development of Marlboro county and her county seat. He was a member of Company "G," South Carolina Volunteers and was promoted captain thereof on October 1st, 1862. Since the war he has followed his chosen profession—the practice of the law—and was at the time of his death the senior member of the law firm of Dudley & Caston.

He was a man of quiet ways and independent thought. He was retiring and diffident by nature, and seldom desired public office or trust. He was a member of the Constitutional convention of 1895, and took an intelligent interest and work in framing the fundamental laws of his State. He was known by all as one of the most conscientious and honest of men in all of his dealings with his fellowmen, and his private character was beyond reproach. He has been for a number of years a prominent member of the Presbyterian church. * * *

He leaves an aged mother, a widow and six children, besides numerous relatives and friends to mourn his departure.

At All Hazards.

Wilmington Dispatch.

It is stated that Senator Butler is in for fusion with the Democrats in the congressional campaign and has ordered his party to that effect. We do not know what prospects there are of the two parties fusing, but we do know that nothing should be left undone towards furthering the cause of silver. We are of the firm opinion that free silver is what the country needs and we should have it at all hazards.

Nothing Else To Do.

Statesville Mascot.

The action of the Democratic State committee in endorsing the address of Chairman Jones of the National committee to the people, in which our National chairman urges all silver men to unite for silver control of the next Congress, was not only right, but about the only thing that could have been done. That the committee would follow the lead of those papers of the State which denounced Chairman Jones and the Congressional committee was not to be thought of for a moment. Silence on the subject would have been a tacit acquiescence in the abuse and ridicule which were being heaped upon them by those papers which openly ridicule the Democratic platform and decry the leadership of the party. The committee met the issue squarely and endorsed in plain, bold language the action of the National authorities of the party. It would be the veriest folly for the silver men, confessedly in the majority in North Carolina as they are, to endanger silver success in the next Congress by divisions among themselves. Let the issue be made boldly; let it be free silver against the gold standard and let every silver man cast his vote for Congressman so that it will count most for silver. Divisions will be dangerous and may be fatal.

MR. BRYAN ON THE PARAMOUNT ISSUE.

Mr. Bryan, in a recent speech, said that the money question was to be the paramount issue in the next campaign, and he is right as usual. The party or individual that seeks to prevent a discussion of the money question in the fall campaign during this year of grace, 1898, will simply be run over. The ever increasing and intensifying evils of the gold standard—the shrinkage in the values of farms and other property, the falling prices of labor and the fruits of labor and the increasing power of wealth over the manhood of the country—have forced themselves upon the attention of the American people, and they will hold their attention until a policy offering a remedy has been tried. The people were told that the election of McKinley, carrying with it the assurance that the gold standard would be maintained, would restore confidence, and that the vanished prosperity would return to the country. A majority of the American people elected McKinley and a gold Congress. Any farmer or merchant in North Carolina, if he is truthful and candid, will tell you that the prosperity has not come. Democrats will not be so green as to allow the Republicans to shirk the responsibility for their failure to keep their promises. They will press home upon the Republicans the suffering and hardships caused by their policy and will offer their remedy—a more abundant currency. The people have tried the Republican medicine and their disease, poverty, grows worse. It will be a reversal of all human experience if they do not change doctors and medicine.

MR. BRYAN INTERPRETS CHAIRMAN JONES'S ADDRESS.

TOPEKA, KAN., Feb. 24.—Wm. J. Bryan addressed 600 Democrats at a banquet held in this city tonight. Mr. Bryan asserted that the money power was to be the paramount issue in the next campaign, and cited the fact that the national committees of the Democrats, Populists and free silver Republicans, have issued addresses in which they assert that the money question is the issue, and call for the co-operation of their forces that it may triumph.

SOUTHERN PINES CHIPS.

More visitors here now than ever before.

Dr. J. A. Lieslie of Vass, N. C., was in town Tuesday on business.

Many visitors who spent last winter here, have returned again this season. All speak of the rapid growth of our town.

Ex Sheriff John L. Currie of Carthage, N. C., was among our visitors here last Tuesday.

The continued cool weather is keeping fruit back nicely. All hope to have a full crop this season.

Miss Mary Kellar has bought a lot on Pennsylvania avenue and will erect a building soon.

Quite a nice entertainment was given Wednesday night at the Kings Daughters hall, by Arthur L. Burr with one of Edison's projectoscopes.

Another entertainment was given at the Kings Daughters hall last Monday night by the orchestra of Pinehurst, N. C.

Work on the new Congregational church is being hurried to completion, so that it might be dedicated on next Sunday, March 13th.

Southern Pines is soon to have its first brick building. Mr. Thomas of New York state, brother to our townsman, Mr. S. S. Thomas, has bought the vacant lot opposite the depot on Railroad street and will erect a brick building soon.

Mr. C. T. Potch of the firm of Tardell & Potch, has built on quite a large addition to his residence on Connecticut avenue.

Messrs. Junge and Beek of this place and two other parties, whose names we have not learned, have bought out the Breeh business previously owned and run by A. Cameron & Co., of Vass, N. C. Also 500 acres of land.

The New York Southern Society.

A New York telegram says:

The annual meeting of the New York Southern Society resulted in the election of the following officers: President, Dr. Wm. Polk; vice president, Augustus Van Wyck; Treasurer, Gaston Hardy; secretary, Percy S. Mallett; chaplain, Rev. J. W. Brown, D. D. The new president of the society is one of the foremost medical practitioners of this city. He succeeds former Governor Hugh S. Thompson, of South Carolina.

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The Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad.

The Lumber Bride News of last week says:

We had the pleasure of a ride Monday over the entire line of the Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad. This new road is owned by the brothers J. M. and N. S. Blue, and to the former we were made debtor for the trip and for much kindly attention. The main line lies between Raeford Institute and Aberdeen, a distance of 19 miles. From Junction about seven miles from Aberdeen, there is also another through line of track five miles down to and on. We boarded the train at Raeford and rode on the engine, which we noticed flies the poetic name of Quewhiffle. Like all railway tracks especially new ones, the track was neither as level nor as straight as it might be. We were as sending or descending a hill and swinging around sharp curves all the way. The three chief objects of view were sky above, sand below and pine forests between. It is a great mistake to suppose that all the pine forests have been cut into lumber. This new road puts thousands of acres of magnificent timber in easy reach of mill men. Mills are going in and thousands of dollars are to be scattered among a people who surely need it right now. We were appalled at the ruin and desolation, all the more horrible, for its blackness, wrought by the late great forest fire in that region. Everything pointed to the intensity of its heat and the velocity of its movements. Great must have been the fright while it raged. The losses were distressing.

Judge Clark's Addresses.

Farmer's Friend

We are in receipt of a copy of the addresses of Judge Walter Clark, published and for sale by A. Williams & Son, of Raleigh, N. C., (price 25 cents). It is a pamphlet of 171 pages, and embraces only the literary work of its remarkable author in the period from April to July, 1897.

Much of the book we have read before in the magazines, but it has repaid us to go over it again and with increased admiration for the forceful reasoning, the deep, varied and accurate learning, the underlying patriotic fire, the broad human sympathy, the sturdy protests against outrage and wrong, which mark every page, nay, every paragraph.

A pronounced gold bug lawyer said to us the other day: "I'll be hanged, if Clark is not the most popular man in the State and I can't understand it for the life of me, when every reason is to the contrary." We said to our friend that his mistake lay in thinking the people would now vote for men simply because they were good fellows, that "good fellows" were out of fashion and the desire of the people was for effective agents to carry out great purposes, and when they discovered this effectiveness they cared little for the stage accompaniments of ante-bellum politicians.

Whether we spoke a parable or not our friend agreed to the explanation and found in it some reason for the wonderful hold Judge Clark has upon the plain people.

CARLOS CLIPPINGS.

Farm work in this section moves steadily on notwithstanding the cold weather and the prospective war with Spain.

The new ferry on the Cape Fear River is now complete and the road put in good order by the farmers preparatory to hauling fertilizers and other supplies from the thriving little town of Wade.

His many friends will be sorry to learn of the illness of Mr. Tom Darden of this place.

Your correspondent is inclined to believe that Cupid has his headquarters here at present judging from the fact that he is at his post early on Monday mornings.

On Monday, the 28th of February, Mr. H. A. Cameron and Miss Etta Parker, both of Carlos were united in marriage by Rev. Mr. Graham of Fayetteville. Also on Monday, March 7th, Mr. Charles Mason and Miss Lonie Norris were united in marriage, Jos. B. Ray, J. P., officiating. Thus are four hearts made to beat as two.

All the schools here have closed with the exception of Prof. G. H. Naylor's school at Mt. Tabor Academy, which will continue several months.

There has been a protracted meeting in progress at Collier's Chapel the past week conducted by Rev. Mr. Royals. There were large congregations present at each service. J. QUILL

Graded School Report.

To the Trustees of the Graded School:

GENTLEMEN:—Herewith I have the honor to submit my report of sixth month of the current scholastic year of the Fayetteville Graded School:

Pupils on rolls at beginning of month,	202
Pupils entered during month,	7
Pupils (total for month).	209
Boys during month,	101
Girls during month,	108
Average attendance,	179
Per cent. attendance,	.86

Following is the

ROLL OF HONOR.

Girls—Alma Fitzell, Marion McLean, Pearle McClellan, Mattie Atkinson, Berta Winburn, Stella Fitzell, Hattie Atkinson; Amanda Amos, Myra Bell, Stella Bell, Ida Bell Calsis, Nellie Cook Davis, Nan Fisher, Sadie Gardner, Emma Solomon, Caroline Bramble, Katie Lamb, Allie Johnson, Hattie Owen, Janie Maultsby, Sallie Robeson, Lena Amos, Elleanor Huske, Carrie Tillinghast, Ellen P. Hall.

Boys—Paul Watson, Neill McArtan, Frank Douglass, Paul Taylor, Vernon Maultsby, Alonzo Mansfield, Jas. Burnett, Addison Lambeth, Jas. Maultsby, Louis Fitzell, Alonzo Jones, John Atkinson, Edwin Maultsby, Fred Adams, William Adams, Claude Overby, Grady Crawford, Walter Watson Cook, John P. Hall, John D. McNeill, Albert Prior, Nat. Venable, Coy Anderson, Fletcher Sadberry.

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Wholesale Capture of Robbers.

Thursday morning, about 3 o'clock, there were captured at Smoky Tavern, near Kingsbury, a band of robbers, including Chas. Mosley, Daniel Williams, Phillip Williams, J. E. Jackson and Elmira Jackson. These are now in Cumberland county jail with the exception of the woman who was allowed to give bond.

Last night a colored man came into town and informed the officials that he could take them to the men who robbed Mr. J. S. Maultsby's store. Almost immediately officers Bethune, Maultsby, Kinlaw and Pough, accompanied by the informer, started out to Smoky Tavern. They were directed to the house of the robbers, and in a few minutes the sleeping occupants were taken by surprise and captured without a blow. A search was made of the house, and secreted in various nooks were found between fifty and a hundred dollars worth of articles, recognized as having been stolen from Mr. Maultsby.

Mosley, who appeared to be the leader of the gang, then confessed everything. He said that he and Jackson did the robbing in both cases; (the store was broken into twice it will be remembered) that one of them watched the policemen while the other effected an entrance. They then carried off as much as convenient and emptied the plunder in an ox cart they had secreted in the bushes on Harrington's Hill.

Mosley and the informer had a quarrel over the latter's wife yesterday morning, hence the capture.

The F. I. L. I Shoot.

The Independent Company had target practice Thursday and shot for the Knott Medal. Maj. E. L. Pemberton was again the victor, with a score of 22. This is the ninth time that he has carried off this trophy since its acquisition by the company in 1893. The only other member that has worn it is Mr. J. H. Robinson, he having won it once.

A twenty gun volley was fired at the target at the close of the contest, fifteen balls piercing the target, six of which entered the "four" ring.

The best scores were: E. L. Pemberton 22, A. M. Campbell 20, J. B. Broadfoot 19, and J. G. Hollingsworth and W. B. Ledbetter 18 each.

Miss Robeson to Resign.

Miss Edna Robeson, stenographer for this Criminal district, is to resign her position. Miss Robeson has made many warm friends in Fayetteville during her stays here. The Raleigh News and Observer says:

A letter from Wilmington announces that Miss Edna Robeson, formerly executive clerk in the Governor's office here, will within the next two weeks resign her position as official stenographer of the First Criminal Court Circuit of North Carolina. She gives up this position, which she has held for the past year, on account of the night work incident to it and the inconvenience of travelling from place to place where the courts are held. She has many warm friends here who wish her the very greatest success.

Lumber Bridge Items of Local Interest.

We take the following paragraphs from the Lumber Bridge News:

The Daily Fayetteville Observer proposes to furnish its readers with the daily afternoon dispatches of the Press Association at a nominal cost. If its readers are wise they will enter into the arrangement quickly and gladly.

Ex-Sheriff Rod McMillan always has something to say. For instance, he tells us that a mark made on a growing tree never grows any higher. The tree may grow twenty feet taller, but the mark made, say two feet from the ground, will remain two feet from the ground ever more.

Notes of Interest.

Gilbert Walden, who recently lectured here is not meeting with much praise from the newspapers of this State.

There is a strong movement to also connect Dunn with Fayetteville by telephone. With Hope Mills, Red Springs, Maxton and Dunn, connected with us by telephone, we will be in a fair way to speak to all our neighbors.

Marriage at Dunn.

Mr. M. H. Privett, a popular young business man of Dunn and a member of the Dunn Hardware and Furniture Company, was married Wednesday afternoon in Dunn to Miss Lela McNeill, one of Dunn's most charming young ladies. We wish them both much happiness and good fortune.

A Large Child.

The Hope Mills Chronicle of last week says:

The remains of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Holmes were carried to Fayetteville Sunday for burial. This was a remarkable child in that it weighed 16 pounds at birth, and is probably the largest child ever born in the State.

Another Big Gun.

Another big gun for coast defense passed through here Friday morning on the A. C. L. bound south, and was quite an object of curiosity to those about the station.

Anniversary of Sherman's Raid.

Friday was the 33rd anniversary of Sherman's descent on Fayetteville. On the 11th of March, 1865, his herd of foreigners entered this fair city and six days later left it a pillaged wreck.

Mecklenburg First in the Field.

Chairman Robertson, of the Mecklenburg county Democratic executive committee having resigned, says the Charlotte News, the secretary has called a meeting of the committee to take steps for calling the county convention.

MOTHER! There is no word so full of meaning and about which such tender and holy recollections cluster as that of "MOTHER"—she who watched over our helpless infancy and guided our first tottering step. Yet the life of every Expectant Mother is beset with danger and all effort should be made to avoid it.

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NOTICE.

By virtue of the authority conferred on me by Section 5, Chap. 159, Act of 1895, it is hereby ordered that the polling place in Division No. 1, Cross Creek Township, be changed from the Mulberry Trees, near the intersection of Kennedy street with Person street, to the vacant lot on Person street, near the foot

THE OBSERVER.

THURSDAY..... MARCH 17, 1898.

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POLL THE COMMITTEE.

The mugwump press, which hangs on to the flanks of the Democratic party only to impede and harrass it, is doing its best to cause dissension in its ranks. Our attention has been called to an article in yesterday's issue of the head organ of the "Utlanders," purporting to give an account of the proceedings of the State Democratic committee at its recent meeting, derived from members of the committee. The rank and file of the party will not believe the statement of this paper, a bolter, that their trusted servants have been confiding in it, until it gives the names of its informants and they confess themselves as such. When that is done, it will be time enough to discuss the proceedings in detail.

Meanwhile, it is in order to discuss the resolutions passed by the committee and published by their order. The one which the organ referred to is disturbed about and declares to be in need of clarification and interpretation, is as follows:

"Whereas the Democratic organization of North Carolina is a part of the National Democratic organization, and whereas this committee is the custodian of the interests of said organization in North Carolina,

"Resolved 1. That the committee endorse the patriotic address of our National Chairman, Hon. Jas. K. Jones, seeking to unite the silver forces in the impending Congressional contests."

Every Democrat fit to be a member of the Democratic committee is presumed to have a thorough knowledge of the text of the most important address issued by the commander-in-chief of his party since 1896. Let the mugwump organ, therefore, poll the committee and see how many of its members will affix their names to a declaration (1) that the North Carolina Democratic organization is not a part of the national organization; (2) that the executive committee is not the custodian of the interests of the national organization in North Carolina; and (3) that the official action of Chairman Jones, as described, should not be endorsed. The affirmative of those three propositions is all that the resolution contains.

It is altogether a very simple thing. It is not likely that any member will, to use the vulgarian's language, plead the baby act.

THE SAME OLD LOT.

There is a noisy lot of newspapers engaged in the business of keeping open the breach between the Democrats and the silver Populists. They would rather die in the last ditch, &c., than be contaminated by co-operation with those former Democrats.

There is not one of the lot that wasn't engaged in the vile assault on Vance in 1893 and 1894, when Cleveland and Ransom made war upon him for opposing the unconditional repeal of the Sherman law. Their purpose is perfectly plain. They say they want the State restored to a white man's government. They want nothing of the kind. They were offered the sure chance of securing that in 1896, and rejected it.

What they are aiming at is the defeat of Bryan, and all that he represents. Not one of them will confess that he endorses the Democratic platform. Many of them have declared that it is a dishonest and "free riot" platform.

Their purpose is to so widen the breach between the two wings of Bryanites that the vote of North Carolina will be as completely lost to him in 1900 as it would have been if their efforts to prevent electoral co-operation in 1896 had been successful.

They do not wish a decent legislature at Raleigh. They prefer one like the last which they can buy. Their press contained rejoicings over the election of Pritchard.

Yet these double-dealing marplots have the effrontery to call themselves Democrats!

Let the people mark them.

HITS THE NAIL ON THE HEAD.

It is the Old Cry of "Stop Thief" Uttered by the Thief.

Morganton Friend:

Many and loud are the protests against making the Democracy strong by co-operation with the Populists, who left the ranks after Cleveland had betrayed the army. Who are the protesters? Look around you in any community and if one does not see the chief shouters against co operation to be ex office holders, either county, State or Federal, we will eat our hat. Run over the roll anywhere. These men, nourished from early youth on official pie, regarding it as a mistake of Providence that others are born with a taste for pie, themselves but lately pushed from the pie counter, have today no other thought uppermost than to regain a lost vantage ground in the party councils and dish out the pie in 1901.

They make the air ring with charges of self interest against the brethren, who differ with them in party policy, accusing them of dickering, trading, etc., when the record is clearly made that under *their* management in county, State and nation a great united organization, co-equal in age with the government had been brought to such utter straits that it could not carry Maryland or Kentucky—states faithful even in years of war. Surely *they* ought not to wear epulettes, whoever else may.

SOUNDS JUST LIKE 1894

Ransom and Kope Elias.

(From the Raleigh News and Observer March 2.)

"FUSION MEANS DEFEAT."

Kope Elias Says the Democracy of the West is in Fine Shape.

Kope Elias sees victory perched upon the banner of the Democrats next fall, provided there is no trading with Populists.

"We are alright in the West," he said yesterday. "We are in splendid shape politically.

"If there is no fusion between the Democrats and Populists we will carry the State next November like a eyelone. If there is fusion, we will lose it. That is the sentiment in the west and I've found about the same opinion prevailing here in the center of the State.

"With fusion we will lose the election by 25,000 votes; without it we will win by an even grater majority. We want a clear-cut, distinctive Democratic fight.

"The leading men in the Democratic party in the West will not even go to the polls on election day if there is fusion; without it they will spend time, money and energy in securing success for their party.

"Of course we are glad to have all who believe, like us, that the true issue in North Carolina is good, honest government, economically administered, to join with us, but they must do so as Democrats. The fight must be a straight one from the shoulder."

M. Elias has been prominent in politics for many years and he is a close observer of men and affairs. He expresses the belief that the time is ripe for an overthrow of the gang that has misruled the State for the past year. He apprehends that Gov. Russell has so divided his party as that it will be nigh impossible for them to heal all the soreheads in it before the end of the next campaign. Then there is not the harmony in the Populist camp that once prevailed when the question of Republican fusion was mentioned.

Mr. Elias arrived here Sunday night and left yesterday morning to spend a few days with ex-Senator Ransom on his farm in Northampton county.

(Raleigh correspondent, March 2, Newberne Journal, Palmer and Buckner.

Hon. Kope Elias, of Macon county, says that if there is no fusion between Democrats and Populists that the state will go democratic in November. It is really refreshing to hear a leading man in the state announce, "We want a clean cut distinctive Democratic fight. The fight must be a straight one from the shoulder." He declares the leading Democrats in the west will not go to the polls if there is fusion.

Dissection of a Mugwump.

Webster's Weekly.]

If it [the Charlotte Observer] cannot conscientiously support the national platform, its position is not an enviable one. It holds up its hands in horror at the idea of co operation, saying it would be dishonorable, yet it professes to want to see the party win in a straight fight on an issue that it characterized as follows January 18th, 1896:

"We have never seen how the Democratic party is to forsake the cause of sound money, one of its immemorial principles, WITHOUT A SACRIFICE OF ITS SELF RESPECT AND THE RESPECT OF THE COUNTRY, a loss of either of which would mean disintegration and ruin."

That that very thing has come to pass, we have the Observer's own testimony of February 4th, 1898:

"The Democratic party at Chicago abandoned its long maintained faith in sound money and declared for free silver."

If the Democratic party has lost its self respect by declaring for free silver, what else has it got to lose by co operating with the Bryan Populists, who are for the same thing? And why should the Observer protest so vigorously against leaving a party that has lost its self respect?

Is it narrow and proscriptive to insist that the national convention is the supreme arbiter of Democratic differences and that its authority is paramount? Replying to Maj. J. W. Wilson, February 25th, 1896, the Observer said:

"Concluding, Maj. Wilson says: 'Let us then quietly abide the action of the State convention and our views be made, as of old, subservient thereto.' If he will strike out 'State' and insert 'national' we are with him, but the differences between us now relate to national questions and upon such questions the national convention is the supreme court of the party."

The Observer put it even stronger March 5th, 1896:

WHAT A MUGWUMP IS.

"Loyalty to the platform of the national Democratic convention is the supreme test of party fealty. If this test is not recognized, what is the use of party organization? How can a party hope to accomplish results? A man who denies the validity of this supreme test is a political Quaker, a mugwump, an Utlander. He cannot wear a party uniform and drill in the ranks. And a bolter is worse still—a traitor."

Now the Observer's counsel is, "Forget about your 16 to 1," the overshadowing issue of the national Democratic platform, and the Statesville Landmark characterizes another important utterance of the same supreme tribunal of the party as "the free riot plank of the Chicago platform."

May 31st, 1896, the Observer demanded:

"How is a party to be held together if the minority is unwilling to submit its will to that of the majority?"

Yet the Weekly is accused of bigotry and uncharitableness because it asks the Observer to live up to its own doctrine. "Loyalty to the platform of the national Democratic convention is the supreme test of party fealty," said the Observer before the convention met, yet its policy in the campaign that followed was such that Mr. Louis de Leroix, a leading gold bolter, wrote of its editor, after an interview with him, to a New York bank, Augus 5th, 1896, which was published in a leading Republican paper, the *Mail and Express*:

"His paper for obvious reasons, cannot bolt just at present, but he intimated a willingness to use sound money copy over my signature. THE SUPPORT BRYAN GETS AT HIS HANDS DOES MORE HARM THAN GOOD."

They Will, if the Bryanites Allow the Ransomites to Prevent their Re-union.

Wilmington Dispatch

Republicans have already begun to "count the chickens before the eggs are hatched." They say that they will easily elect seven congressmen and possibly eight in the impending campaign. Confidence is a great thing, but votes will prove greater in this especial case.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, March 14, 1898.

The Washington end of this nasty Spanish business is now in a fairly satisfactory condition. Since Congress placed $50,000,000 at Mr. McKinley's disposal, the administration has come out in the open with its war preparations, and no time is now being lost in getting together the fighting material that will be necessary to enable us to drive the Spaniards off every foot of American territory. Although Mr. McKinley deserved criticism for waiting so long to get started along the right road, it is overlooked now, and he is given the praise he deserves for the energetic manner in which he is pushing things. The country is rapidly being put upon a war footing; the people have been on a war footing for some time.

No harm is done by Secretary Long's denying that either the President or himself has any information as to what the report of the Naval Court of Inquiry will be, so long as there is no let up in the preparations to be in a position to act promptly on that report, which cannot be delayed much longer. There isn't the slightest doubt that the report will show that the Maine was destroyed by an outside explosion.

Mr. McKinley has not told anybody, so far as known, that he intended to couple with the demand he makes on Spain on account of the Maine, another that Cuba should be free, although he has intimated his intention to in some way combine the two things. If he wishes to act in accordance with the dominating sentiment in Congress, he will certainly take some means of letting Spain know when the Maine demand is made that this government has stood the disgraceful condition of affairs in Cuba, just as long as it intends to, and that if Spain does not at once voluntarily recognize the independence of Cuba, the United States will help the Cubans to force her to do so. The talk on this subject among Congressmen is plain and outspoken, and practically all one way.

The new Spanish Minister talks as though the most important issue between Spain and the United States was the negotiation of a reciprocity commercial treaty, and says he expects the representatives of the alleged autonomy government of Cuba, who will have charge of the interests of the island during the negotiations, to reach Washington in a few days. No one believes that such a farce as negotiations for a reciprocity treaty would be, under existing circumstances, will be allowed to begin by the administration, and the Minister is probably only indulging in such talk for the purpose of trying to impress us with the peacable intentions of Spain towards us. He is wasting time. We know Spain's real attitude towards us—an attitude that has worked the American people up to such a pitch that the determination to thrash Spain has become universal among us.

Senator Jones, of Ark., voiced the almost unanimous sentiment of Congress when he said concerning the report that a movement had been started with a view to bring about an alliance between England and the United States. "I do not think that there is anything in the report, for it would be one of the most foolish things this or any other administration ever undertook. In the first place, we do not need any alliance to conduct our own quarrels. We are able to take care of ourselves, and an alliance with some other power, particularly those on the other side of the water would be especially repugnant to the people of this country. I am confident there is nothing in it, and if there was, and it should be submitted to the Senate, as it doubtless would be, that body would not sanction it."

Those who had supposed that the fight against the confirmation of the nomination of Terrance V. Powderly, to be Commissioner of Immigration—the price of Powderly's stumping in the Presidential Campaign—was over were not well posted. It is being waged quite briskly, and one of the apparent results is an adverse report from the Senate Committee on Immigration on the nomination, and Powderly's opponents express confidence that they can get enough votes in the Senate to ratify the Committee's adverse report. Powderly is now holding the office under a recess appointment.

Czar Reed having succeeded in his efforts to compel a majority of the House Committee on Rivers and Harbors, to vote against reporting a River and Harbor bill at this session, Representative Wheeler, of Alabama, has introduced a bill appropriating $5,000,000, to be expended at the discretion of the Secretary of War, for the continuance of River and Harbor improvements already begun, preference being given to those which can be best operated during the summer and fall months. Gen. Wheeler will do his best to get his bill through, but as it is opposed by the Czar, the chances are rather against him.

LUMBER BRIDGE LOCALS.

Mr. Shepherd Bass died in Sanford Saturday night and was buried here Sunday evening. Messrs. T. L. Bass, Petty and Williams accompanied the remains from Sanford.

On Monday night, March 28th, Rev. H. Tucker Graham will deliver an address to the missionary societies. The public is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gainey came over from Sherwood Saturday on a visit to their children, Mrs. Gainey, we are glad to know, will spend several weeks.

A delightful musical entertainment was given last Friday night at the residence of Mr. A. L. Shaw by Miss Laura Johnson. Miss Johnson was assisted by three of her pupils, Misses Mary S. McDonald, Fodie McNeill and Nettie Love.

The many friends here of the OBSERVER'S accomplished Scotch Lassie, are glad to learn of her convalescence.

VICTOR SAYINGS.

VICTOR, N. C., March 12, 1898.

Work on the building for the Union Home School blacksmith shops is being rapidly pushed; and is expected to be completed in a few days. Several hundred feet of various hard woods are being cut for use in the shops.

Mr. Angus Gilchrist, of Cameron, spent Sunday with friends.

The estimable young gentleman, Mr. Atkinson Cockman, is visiting at the residence of his father.

Mr. Frances Denton, of Southern Pines, is visiting Prof. M. S. Green.

Mrs. B. D. Caviness, of Villanow, is reported seriously ill.

The many friends of Capt. E. McN. Blue, of Dozier, Ala., formerly of this place, willbe pleased to hear of his recent marriage to an Alabama belle of sweet sixteen. May a long and happy life be the lot of the worthy veteran and his youthful companion.

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BLADEN COUNTY NEWS.

DUBLIN, N. C., March 12th, 1898.

The spring term of the Superior Court of Bladen county convened at Elizabethtown the 8th inst. His Honor Oliver H. Allen, of Kinston, presiding and Solicitor Herbert F. Seawell, of Carthage, representing the State.

Among the visiting attorneys at court we noticed Col. N. A. McLean, of Lumberton, Messrs. J. B. Schulken, D. J. Lewis and Donald McRackin, of Whiteville, D. B. Sutton, Esq., of Wilmington, and Robert E. Lee, Esq., of Fair Bluff.

Mr. J. A. Crews, the hustling and energetic representative of the Wilmington Messenger, was at Elizabethtown court week soliciting subscribers for his paper.

Mr. A. J. Maxwell, editor of the Columbus News, was also at court in the interest of his paper.

Mr. D. I. Hood, editor of the Eastern Reformer, added many new names to his subscription list last leek.

Robert E. Lee, Esq., who has been practicing law at Elizabethtown the past year, has removed to Fair Bluff; we wish him much success.

Hon. T. D. McDowell, one of the few surviving members of the memorable Confederate States Congress, has been very ill recently, but is now improving, we are glad to learn.

Mr. Robert Lee, one of Bladen's prominent citizens, died Feb. 21st, of typhoid pneumonia.

Mr. D. G. Robeson, of Carver's Creek, is moving to Red Springs. Mr. Robeson is one of Bladen's most prominent men; he was for many years a member of the board of county commissioners.

We hear that there is to be a grand rally of "sanctificationists" at Abbotts burg during this month, led by Rev. B. H. Irwin, of Lincoln, Neb.

Avant, Page & Co., held a protracted meeting at Deems's Chapel last week. They seem to be as closely wedded to Bladen county as the Republican party is to the gold standard; some of their followers claim that they are so perfect that they do not commit sin.

We learn that the people are aiding those who lost in the conflagration of Feb. 15th. It was the most destructive fire that has visited this country in many years, if ever before, many hundreds of dollars worth of timber, besides residences and personal property, was destroyed. Messrs. W. H. G. and L. T. Beatty, who lost their beautiful residence by fire last spring, lost their barn, and lots of valuable timber by the recent forest fire.

Mr. W. J. McDuffie, of Dawson's Landing, was hurt right badly recently while hauling timber.

Forney Willis, Esq., who has been teaching near Abbottsburg, has closed his school and returned home.

Miss Anna Guion Stith is attending a business college at Petersburg, Va.

Willie Munn has returned to Virginia after having spent some time at the home of his father, Maj. A. Munn, near Tar Heel.

Hurrah for the OBSERVER, William Jennings Bryan and the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the time honored ratio of 16 to 1.

AMERICUS.

Not a Fair Inference.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OBSERVER:

Your Red Springs correspondent, in a recent letter, thanking your valuable paper and the Wilmington Messenger's correspondent (this writer) for merited praise of the excellence of the concert of the Red Springs Female Seminary, mildly takes to task the Messenger correspondent for his criticism (if criticism it might be called) of Miss Munce's lack of dramatic training.

This—as it was all good-humored—might pass unchallenged were it not for the fact that the inference or conclusion drawn therefrom does injustice to both Miss Munce and the correspondent. Certainly there was nothing in that criticism to inculcate the idea that a public singer should "indulge in antics" to attract the eye rather than please the ear.

Your Red Springs correspondent writes also that a musician thought Miss Munce "sang naturally." That is very well, as far as it goes. A bird sings naturally; a child, caroling a simple ballad or a nursery rhyme, sings naturally. But one has a right to expect of a vocalist of exceptional gifts, soaring into the realm of histrionic music, something of histrionic or dramatic expression—and that, too, without the suspicion of affectation or mannerism. It is not unreasonable to desire, in a rendition of a part of Lucia di Lammermoor, something more than we would get in "Coming through the Rye." There is the "eloquence of action" in music as well as in oratory.

This writer knows of but one female voice in North Carolina superior to that of Miss Munce in *timbre*, trueness (that best expresses the quality) and compass; but he sticks to it that she fails of very much when she depends on her voice to do all. M.

FAYETTEVILLE, March 14.

A War in Which Havana Was Taken.

Balt'more Sun.

During the "seven years' war" (1756-1763) between England and France, Spain became involved by making an agreement to assist the latter power. Charles III, of Spain, was alarmed at the great extension of England's maritime and colonial ascendancy. Within a few years he had seen the French deprived of Canada and the vast region west of the Alleghanies. Clive had gained Bengal by the battle of Plessy, and Coyte's victory in 1760 at Wandewash destroyed what was left of French power in India. The naval victories at Lagos and Quiberon Bay established England's supremacy at sea. On the continent of Europe England allied with Prussia against Austria, Russia, France and various German princes, was a disturbing factor.

Hoping to check the growth of English power, Charles III, in 1761, by a secret treaty, undertook to assist France, but with disastrous results to Spain. War began in January, 1762, and seven months later Havana had been taken by the English under Lord Albemarle, but not without much difficulty. A fleet of over 200 vessels [of 14,041 men, began operations on June 6 of the year mentioned, having opposed to them a Spanish army of 27,610 men. The defense is described by historians as "exceedingly obstinate," the Spanish being determined fighters, especially when acting on the defensive. The Moro Castle was taken on July 30, after nearly two months had elapsed, and it was not till two weeks later, on August 14, that the city capitulated. The captors divided among themselves, it is related, spoil to the value of $3,680,000. The city and adjacent country remained an English possession till February, 1763, when, by the treaty of Paris, they were restored to Spain.

CASTORIA.

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RAEFORD NOTES.

Prof. J. R. McQueen, made a flying trip to Carthage last week. *Moore* seems to have some special attraction for him.

Miss Berta Bryant, of Pattersons Bridge, N. C., visited her brother, Mr. S. A. Bryant, who is attending school at Raeford Institute, last week.

Mrs McQueen, of Dial, N. C., visited her son, Mr. A. B. McQueen, who is another one of the "Raeford boys," last week.

Drs. Just, of Aberdeen, and Kinney, of Bennettsville, S. C., were in town last week.

Rev. Mr. Coppedge, will lecture at at Raeford Institute Wednesday night, March, 23rd.

Rev. Mr. Alexander, of Waynesville, N. C., will preach at Bethel next Sunday.

As yet, we are very undecided as to what we will do in case of an "emergency" with Cuba.

Cyprus Swamps are an excellent thing.

RED SPRINGS ITEMS.

RED SPRINGS, N. C., March 12, 1898.

The Fayetteville OBSERVER deserves a larger patronage. The Red Springs Citizen and Fayetteville OBSERVER (weekly) for $1.25 is an excellent bargain for any one, especially those who do not desire a daily. I hope people will encourage you in your efforts to give a better paper with latest news at a small cost.

We regret to learn of the severe illness of "Scotch Lassie," the talented and popular correspondent of your paper. May she soon recover and resume her position in literary, religious and social circles.

Gilbert Walden has such excellent testimonials our people expected him to give a first class entertainment in Pythian Hall March 9th, but he did not succeed in giving general satisfaction. He recited some pieces well, but hardly equals Ralph Bingham, Polk Miller or Judge Farrar as an entertainer. He was not at his best when he recited here, and underestimated the culture of his audience. Editor Branch told him that our people have local talent, the Seminary, Lyceum, Amateur performers, &c., that give good entertainments, and know a good thing when they see it or hear it.

Red Springs Seminary gave the people of Maxton a chance last night to hear a grand concert of vocal and instrumental music.

About 22 of the students went with the faculty.

The Seminary has many warm friends in this cultured and progressive town, and we hope the recital was a grand success in every way.

The Knights of Pythias continue to grow in numbers, influence, &c.—new members every meeting. Rev. P. R Law and John W. Graham transferred their membership to this lodge. S. J. Edens, took the 2nd degree last Tuesday night, and J. R. Jones, of Buie, took the 2nd and 3rd degrees. This Lodge, No. 91, will celebrate its first anniversary March 22. The gain in membership from 13 to about 40, shows its rapid progress. There will be public speaking, a banquet, toasts, &c. The Grand Chancellor is expected.

Many new improvements, new buildings, new streets, a new church, &c., show that this is a live, progressive town.

McDiarmid Brothers now operate John T. McNeill's planing mill.

Rev. D. W. Fox reports a large audience at concert at Maxton. Grand success.

A Northern View.

Referring to the South Carolina horror at Lake City, the New York Evening Post, a Republican and former abolitionist journal, says:

"This hostility to the black official is but one manifestation of a hostility to the race which affects the whites in all of their relations as citizens. They will not submit to the rule of the blacks, no matter what the numerical supremacy of the blacks. There are tens of thousands more blacks than whites in Mississippi, South Carolina and Louisiana. The two former states have within the last few years adopted constitutions which practically disfranchise most of the blacks, and a convention now sitting in Louisiana will undoubtedly follow these examples. A pretence is made of reaching this end through the establishment of educational or property tests which affect impartially the ignorant and shiftless of both races, but the unconcealed object, which is accomplished in most cases, is to keep nearly all of the blacks from voting without reference to such qualifications, while not disfranchising any whites. If all of the colored men in such states could read and were owners of property, the whites would not allow them to govern. . . . We do not think that the feeling in this respect is greatly different in the north. Lynching is less prevalent here than there, and we should hope that South Carolina is the only southern state where the respect of human life is so low that such an outrage as that at Lake City is possible. But our people would resent bitterly the appointment of negro officials, and no republican administration ever named a black man as postmaster in the north."

Mr. James Kyle.

Our popular young townsman, Mr. Jas. Kyle, at present the efficient traveling freight and passenger agent of the C. F. & Y. V. has been selected by a committee, appointed for that purpose, to the position of manager of the Rate Bureau, to be opened in Wilmington by the mercantile bodies of that city.

Scrofula Sores

Health Was Greatly Impaired, But Hood's Sarsaparilla Built It Up—Sores Have All Disappeared.

"I was troubled with eruptions on my face, which appeared like scrofula. My health was so much impaired that I was advised to take Hood's Sarsaparilla to build me up, and I bought six bottles. Before I had taken half of this amount I found that I was improving. I could rest better at night, and felt refreshed in the morning. I gained in flesh and when I had finished the six bottles the sores on my face had all disappeared." J. B. BODDIE, Postmaster, Nashville, No. Carolina.

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SUNDAY AT THE CAPITAL.

The Court of Inquiry Finished

Monday morning's press dispatches from Washington say:

To-day, like last Sunday, when the published statements of the desire for the recall of General Lee and the protest of the Spanish government against sending warships with relief supplies to Cuba, caused much excitement among official circles, was comparatively quiet. There had been no information bearing on the doings of the court of inquiry on the Maine explosion received during the day, or any other dispatches calculated to cause conference between the heads of the various departments. There were a number of experts of the War Department Ordnance Office at their desks for a short time during the morning, to attend to some pressing matters, while at the Navy Department the board on auxiliary cruisers held a final meeting preparatory to the departure of the special board to New York. Secretary Long was at the Navy Department for a short while. He stated late in the afternoon that there was no news of any nature for the press and added, in response to a specific inquiry that nothing had been received from the court of inquiry.

At the Washington gun factory there are now in varied stages of construction no less than 150 guns of formidable character, on which work is being done night and day, with a view to their early completion.

An office will be opened at 26 Courtlandt street, New York, to-day, at which owners and agents for ships will be invited to make their proposals for turning over to the navy such vessels as are of value for war purposes. The naval officials say there will be no difficulty experienced in obtaining all the vessels that are desired, as there are hundreds available.

The government is perfecting its plans for the movement of troops to the coast defences, orders for which were issued by the War Department on Friday, and published at that time.

A dispatch from Havana dated yesterday says:

The court of inquiry did a good deal of work to-day, examining Ensign Powelson and such divers of the wrecking company as have been investigating the wreck. It is said to-day that these divers have been released from further work of this kind, and instructed to pursue their labors under the wrecking contract. It is thought that the court will close its labors here durihg the present week and will probably re-examine some of the survivors of the Maine at Key West.

A Madrid dispatch says:

El Imparcial says: "The government is momentarily expecting to receive the report of the Spanish commission, which, it is understood, will maintain that the Maine explosion was internal.

"Although the American commission may give another explanation, the government will energetically uphold the Spanish report."

A Paris dispatch says:

The Temps says: Spain does not deceive herself when she counts upon the sympathy, at least latent, of European governments, but it would be a mistake for her to expect any effectual support from either Great Britain or the triple alliance. Before all she must rely upon herself."

SCROFULA.

One of America's most famous physicians says: "Scrofula is external consumption." Scrofulous children are often beautiful children, but they lack nerve force, strong bones, stout muscles and power to resist disease. For delicate children there is no remedy equal to

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Beaver Dam Items.

BEAVER DAM, March 13, 1898.

Miss M. E. Hall closed her school near Falcon, N. C., last week and returned home last Saturday.

Rev. J. G. Fisher preached at Sharon church last Sunday from the subject, "Thought" and handled his subject well. "Joe" preaches well for a backwoods boy.

Mr. H. G. Beard of Cumberland and Miss Beatrice West of Bladen were married last Sunday morning at the residence of the bride's father, Rev. J. G. Fisher officiating. Here is our congratulations, "May they never be out of cash nor devoid of hash."

We had the pleasure of attending the public debate given by the Gradian Literary Society. The entertainment was a grand success and reflected honor on the Society and school. The music, so skillfully rendered by Miss McIntosh, was one of the chief features of enjoyment. The declaimers, Messrs. Shep. Sessoms, B. G. Bullock, A. A. Hales and A. J. Hall all showed rare preparations for their task and acquitted themselves like men. Then came the discussion of the query "Should we have more than two political parties?" The affirmative side was ably discussed by Messrs. R. W. Cooper, Platt Bullard and J. S. Sessoms. The negative side was equally as well handled by Messrs. R. L. Hall, Martin Autry and Troy Autry. All showed the able work of Bro. McIntosh, who will rank with the best educators of the State, and his school at Autryville ought to be patronized by the whole surrounding country as parents can undoubtedly educate their children here cheaper than to send them away off to some boarding school.

JACK.

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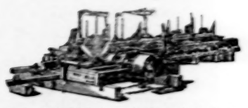

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Items from Adjoining Communities of Bladen and Cumberland Counties and St. Paul's.

There is a young man in this community who was to have been married some weeks ago, prepared for the occasion but to his great disappointment when he reached the home of the intended bride she refused to marry him.

On his way home he arranged with another girl to marry him after three weeks.

In a few days he received a letter from the former girl saying that she would make up again. We expect further news next week. There also was another boy who bought his license after which his girl backed out.

Messrs. N. and A. L. Shaw, of Lumber Bridge, were at St. Pauls last Thursday at the funeral of Mr. A. R. McEachern's baby.

We are glad to know that Miss Laura McCormick is rapidly recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Misses Emma and Annie Blount, who are attending the Red Springs Seminary, spent a few days at their home near Athens last week.

Mr. N. M. McDonald, closed his school at Roslin, last Friday.

Rev. L. M. Chaffin, filled his regular appointment at Fisher's Methodist Church last Sunday evening at which time the Sacrament was administered, a large congregation was present.

Mrs A. B. Williamson, of the Parkton section spent a few days at the home of her Father Mr. Troy Fisher, last week.

Mr. John Regon, of the ten mile section and Mr. G. A. McGougan, of Taylorsville were among the visitors to this community last Sunday.

Rev. P. R. Law, will preach at the St. Pauls Presbyterian Church on the third Sunday evening in April.

Miss Maggie Kinlaw, one of our popular young ladies of lower Cumberland is visiting the family of Mr. R. Binson near St. Pauls.

DIED, at St. Pauls March the 9th at 11 o'clock A. M., Little Lucile infant baby of Mr and Mrs A. R. McEachern.

We extend to the bereaved parents our tender sympathy.

May the parents remember that even in this sad hour of disappointment that it is all for the glory of God. Though this little one was taken before reaching the age of three months, may the dear parents remember that though the bud was plucked so soon it will only bloom more beautiful in the paradice of God. B

St. Pauls N. C., March 14th 1898

The Sure La Grippe Cure.

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Correspondence on all subjects of local and general interest and opinions upon matters public of concern, are invited

The editor will not be responsible for the veiws or statements of correspondents—and reserves the right at all times to revise or correct any article he may think requires it.

One side, only, of the paper must be written on—and the real name of the writer accompany the contribution. No attention will be paid to anonymous letters.

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Dobbin & Ferrall - Our High Grade New Dry Goods.
Horne's Pharmacy—Houlton Early Rose Seed Potatoes.

"Scotch Lassie" Much Better.

It is with the greatest pleasure that we can tell our anxious readers this morning the good news of the great improvement in Miss Eloise McGill's condition.

An Interesting Lecture.

The lecture on Corea, at the Military Academy Friday night by Rev. H. Tucker Graham, was most interesting and instructive. It put new and healthy ideas into the minds of the young students, which will undoubtedly bear good results. He told of many things in connection with the Greeco-Turkish troubles, which would be well recorded in history.

The "Little" Observer in Smithfield.

The Smithfield Herald of Thursday says:

The enterprise of The Fayetteville Observer in securing the afternoon telegraphic dispatches of the Associated Press is to be commended. Its readers here, as well as at other points, have been thus enabled to obtain the Cuban news at least eight hours earlier. We trust that its patronage will enable it to continue the service.

Trial of the Robbers—Attempt to Escape

The trial of the men charged with robbing the store of Mr. Jno. S. Maultsby, was commenced at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, and was in progress up to 5 p. m. The defendants are represented by Mr. D. T. Oates and the prosecution is conducted by Messrs. N. A. Sinclair and H. L. Cook.

While the prisoners were being taken from the jail to the trial that morning, Jackson, the informer, broke and ran. Deputy Sheriff King fired five shots at him, one bullet only taking effect, and that in the fleshy part of the left leg, doing no damage. The man ran down Gillespie street, turned into Russell street, and was finally headed off and captured as he was doubling back through Dick street.

Flowers from Mr. Bryan.

Mrs. Dr. J. W. McNeill has just returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. E. T. B. Glenn, at Macon, Georgia. She travelled from Macon to Augusta in the same car with Mr. Bryan, who was returning from the scene of his great popular triumph of the night before, and he was presented to her and the other ladies in the train. He was almost embowered in the floral tributes which the fair women of Georgia had given him, and out of his abundance he gave to those with him on the train souvenirs of the occasion. He gave quite a little bouquet to Mrs. McNeill, and Mrs. McNeill has been kind enough to present a part of hers to the editor of the OBSERVER.

Mr. Bryan's favor was well placed, for Mrs. McNeill, like all the rest of Col. J. A. Pemberton's daughters, as well as her husband, is a warm admirer of the great Nebraskan and a staunch advocate of his doctrines.

Mr. Fife on Rev. A. B. Simpson.

We take the liberty of publishing the following private communication from our former townsman, Evangelist W. P. Fife:

HUMBOLT, TENN., March 9, '08.

I see that Rev. A. B. Simpson, of New York, "the greatest preacher in America on the deeper truths," will be in Fayetteville from March 21—23. Please ask all your readers both of Daily and Weekly OBSERVER to come to hear him by all means. He is the man that raises from $50,000 to $120,000 for foreign missions with one collection. I have seen him take a collection of $65,000 at one time. I hope to be there. God bless the people of dear old Fayetteville and surrounding country.

Yours, W. P. FIFE.

The C. F. & Y. V.

A Deal With the S. A. L.

The Baltimore Sun of Friday contains the following important news:

"A decision now awaited by the Baltimore committee of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad from the United States Court of Appeals at Richmond, Va., will wind up the legal difficulties in the way of re-organization of the property. An order of Judge Simonton for the sale of the railroad was appealed by the New York committee, and it is the decision on this appeal which is now delaying the restoration of the property to the stockholders. An agreement has been entered into by the Baltimore committee under which the Seaboard Air Line agrees to operate the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad at greatly reduced cost. The Seaboard also contracts to guarantee the payment of interest on all bonds of the re-organized company."

Whipped.

The young Holliday, who ran over the little Jones girl with a bicycle Sunday, was let off by the Mayor on condition that he be whipped by his parents, to the satisfaction of the complainant, the latter to be present during the chastisement.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. KING BROS.

The Bishop's Visitation.

Bishop Watson preached an eloquent and very able sermon at St. John's Church Sunday morning. A class of seven received the rite of confirmation.

Improvements.

Mr. J. M. Lamb has a force at work turfing, terracing and otherwise beautifying Dr. Highsmith's yard on Green street.

Mr. W. A. Crawford has had his tail oring parlors on Hay Street refitted and they now present a most attractive appearance. It would be well for people to patronize our home tailors, instead of sending money to other towns, as is so often the case. This, of course, also applies in as great or greater measure to our merchants. Patronize home industries and your town will undoubtedly flourish.

A Serious Fight.

Two young men, Chas. Maultsby and Owen Lockamy, got into a fight in Campbellton Wednesday, with the result that the former was knocked in the head with a brick and seriously hurt. He was unconscious for several hours. His condition is better this morning and it is said that he will soon recover.

Young Lockamy disappeared after the fight and has not been heard of since.

Gen. Brady Ready to Fight.

General A. G. Brady recently wrote to the Governor offering his services in case of war. He wrote:

"Should war break out between the United States and Spain I as an old ex officer in the late civil war have the honor of tendering to you my services. I am a citizen of North Carolina and have been for the past fifteen years."

The Governor replied as follows:

RALEIGH, March 11, 1898.

General A. G. Brady.
Fayetteville, N. C.,

DEAR SIR:—Yours to the Governor tendering your services in case of war, to the State of North Catolina has been received. He directs me to thank you for your brave patriotic offer and to say to you that your letter will be filed to be made such use of in the future as the exigencies of the case may require.

Yours very truly,
BAYLUS CADE
Private Secretary.

Invitation to the Mecklenburg Celebration.

The F. I. L. I. Company has received an invitation to the celebration, in Charlotte on the 20th of May, of the signing of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. Invitations have been received from both the Hornet's Nest Rifles and the Mayor of Charlotte. It is not unlikely that the boys will go, and in their handsome new uniforms too.

A Train Load of War Material.

Eight immense cannon and a number of box cars containing munitions of war, passed through here Monday over the A. C. L. consigned to Maj. Mahon at Pensacola, Fla. The train attracted a large crowd and caused much discussion.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. KING BROS.

Death of Major C. B. Way.

We are pained to learn of the death of Major Charles Burr Way, which occurred at his residence near Asheville recently. Major Way was, in his younger days, a lawyer of distinction in his adopted State of Texas, rising to a judgeship there, and served with distinction on the staff of General Hood, during the late war. Mr. David Way, one of his sons, last year married Miss Sue Haigh of this city.

Says the Asheville Citizen:

"Major Charles Burr Way, who was stricken with paralysis about two weeks ago, died at his home at Grace, three miles north of Asheville, Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

"Major Way was in his 68th year, having been born in the State of Mississippi November 12, 1830.

"As a young man Major Way lived in Texas, and was elected to the legislature from Waco county in that State, and was also chosen mayor of the town of Waco. He was in the war on Hood's staff, and belonged to the famous Texan Brigade. He was also district judge, corresponding to our Superior judgeship. In 1867, Major Way moved to North Carolina on account of failing health, and settled at Hot Springs, in Madison county, where he lived for two years. In 1870 he moved to Buncombe and purchased property at Grace, where he has since resided.

"During his residence in Buncombe Major Way took a prominent part in public affairs, and was always specially interested in education. For a number of years he was superintendent of public instruction for Buncombe county, and one of the very best in the State. He was chairman of the joint board of magistrates and commissioners of Buncombe county as long as that body had existence. He was one of the judges of the Inferior court when it was first established.

"Major Way had been a consistent member of the M. E. Church, South, for many years, a good citizen and an honest man.

"A wife and seven children survive. Dr. J. Howell Way, a prominent physician of Waynesville; Miss Fannie Burr Way, a teacher in the Deaf, Dumb and Blind institute, Staunton, Va.; Mrs. Rev. Geo. G. Harley of Concord, N. C.; David Way of the Asheville Drug company, and Eugene, Willie and Hilliard, who are still at home."

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D.: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman. Trial bottles free at B. E. Sedberry & Sons Drug Store.

Regular size 50c. and $1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded.

Thirty-Six Cars of Ammunition.

We learned from the crew of the northbound A. C. L. train Monday night, that that train had to side track Monday afternoon for a special, composed of thirty six cars of war material going south.

Marriage on East Side of River.

Mrs. Rose Kirby, neice of Maj. W. B. Draughon, was married to Mr. Edgar Williams, of Sampson, at the residence of Maj. Draughon's Saturday evening. Rev. Dr. Nash performed the ceremony.

The Colonial Dames.

At a meeting of the Colonial Dames held in Wilmington a few days ago, Mrs. John B. Broadfoot, of this city, was elected one of the delegates to the National Convention which is shortly to meet in Washington, D. C.

Red Springs Episcopal Church.

The laying of the corner stone of St. Jude's Episcopal Church at Red Springs took place yesterday afternoon at 4:30. The Right Rev. Bishop A. A. Watson and Rev. Mr. Skinner left that morning to conduct the services.

Big Contract.

We understand that the United States Government has made a contract with the C. F. & Y. V. and the A. C. L. railroads for the transportation of an immense quantity of Pocahontas coal to Key West; the C. F. & Y. V. taking it from the Norfolk & Western and delivering it to the A. C. L. at this point.

Open-Air Meeting.

Evangelist T. H. Leavitt Friday morning led a procession of 358 sanctificationists from his big tent to the jail square, where a great open-air meeting was held.

Light House for the Cape Fear.

The following bill passed the House of Representatives yesterday:

To establish a light house at the pitch of Cape Fear river, near Wilmington, N. C., at a cost not to exceed $70,000.

Soldiers to Key West.

The Norfolk Virginian of Tuesday says:

"Seven cars, gaily decorated with Star and Stripes, are waiting in the Coast Line's yards at Pinner's Point to convey three hundred soldiers who will arrive to day, to Key West."

Death of Alderman Wright's Brother.

Alderman T. T. Wright received a telegram at noon announcing the death of his brother, Mr. John T. Wright, at his home in Mars Bluff, South Carolina. Alderman Wright left that afternoon to attend the funeral.

At Cokesbury Church.

Rev. J. C. Kilgo, D. D., President of Trinity College, and one of the most eloquent speakers in North Carolina, will lecture at Cokesbury Church, near Stedman, Saturday, April 2nd, at 11 a. m. The public generally, are in invited. It will be, says a corresponden', 'a treat of a life time."

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. King Bros.

A Fayetteville Novel—A Cumberland Girl the Heroine.

We have received a copy of a short novel, just out of the press, written by our townsman Mr. Duncan Rose, and published here by the Cape Fear Press, entitled "Madeline, or A Commencement Proposal." It is very attractive in appearance, and we look forward with much pleasure to its perusal. The cover is in two lovely tints—a pale blue or sapphire, and heliotrope, with figured fleur de lis. The beautiful face which is imprinted upon the cover represents that of one of the handsomest of Cumberland County's many handsome girls. We are permitted to say that she lives on the East side of the river, but she "does not wish her name to be published in the newspapers"—which fact alone, aside from her good looks, is enough to render her remarkable in these times.

This book is for sale at both the book stores—Pemberton's and Moore's—price 25 cts.

Mr. Rose expects to publish within the next month or two a short volume concerning the Confederate States' Man of War "Florida"—unless in the meantime we get into a war with Spain and everything is turned upside down.

BEST OF ALL.

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, and for sale by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle.

THE MAINE DISASTER.

Court of Inquiry Returns.

The United States Court of Inquiry into the loss of the Maine returned to Key West from Havana yesterday Captain Sampson, president of the board, assured the Associated Press correspondent that the decision to leave Havana was not reached until yesterday afternoon, after a consulation of the members. It was decided that, while further testimony might be obtained here, this was not sufficiently likely to justify a longer stay. The Court can return if the divers or wreckers make discoveries that add to the stock of knowledge now gathered.

The wrecking derrick Chief, of New York, arrived yesterday in Havana in tow of the Boston tug Underwriter. It is understood the latter will return to the United States for a 3,000 ton barge.

The body of another victim of the Maine disaster was found late last night light floating near the United States cruiser Montgomery. The remains have not been identified.

Meeting of Board of Aldermen.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen Tuesday afternoon, there were present Mayor Cook and Aldermen A. A. McKethan, J. A. Pemberton, J. W. Johnson, J. B. Underwood, Jr., E. J. Kennedy, J. F. Johnson, W. S. Maultsby, R. G. Haigh. Several small bills were ordered paid.

A communication was read from the Board of Audit and Finance, concurring in the resolution of the Board of Aldermen in placing $100 in the Mayor's hands to be used, if necessary, in the enforcement of the Dispensary law.

A proposition for furnishing the city with 30 more Arch Electric Lights was read and referred to the Light Committee to confer with the bidder and to submit to a future meeting such a contract as in their opion would be acceptable. The Mayor and Maj. McKethan were added to the Committee.

The Mayor was instructed to employ additional cart service and such hands as were needed to put the city streets and ditches in a good condition.

The Mayor was authorized to have necessary work done in the stalls at the Market House to stop the depredations of the swarm of rats that nightly infest it.

Mr. Chas. Glover was appointed Registrar and T. J. Powers and G. H. Henderson, Judges of the City Election to be held at the Market House on the 1st Monday in May.

Latest by Telegraph.

(From Yesterday's Daily Observer.)

Spain Requests the Withdrawal of our Fleet.

By telegraph to the Observer.)

Washington, March 16.

Secretary Day replies to the Spanish request just received to withdraw the American fleet from Key West, refusing the same.

Court of Inquiry Reaches Key-West.

By telegraph to the Observer.

KEY WEST, March 16.

The Court of Inquiry left Havana this morning. No explanation is given of their sudden return. The unexpected return of the Court sent a thrill through Key West and all is in expectation and suspense. The reticence of the members of the court and their inscrutable grave faces, revealing only too plainly the shadow of their awful responsibility, aggravated the general excitement.

Report of the Board of Inquiry.

By cable to the Observer.

Havana, March 16.—The indications are that the naval board's report on the Maine disaster goes north within three days, perhaps a partial statement leaves here to-morrow by steamer Olivette. Despite sensational insinuations that Commander Potter was unduly influenced by Chaplain Chadwick, the board's report is sure to be honest.

A Statement by Senator Mason.

By cable to the Observer.

Washington, March 16.—Senator Mason has given out this signed statement today: "Much, but not all depends upon the report of the board of inquiry. It may free Cuba without war. The Maine disaster is a separate matter. If it was an accident we ought not to ask a money indemnity. If the Maine was blown up outside we cannot in honor demand a cash indemnity. The Spanish flag must be humiliated by yielding her territory not to us but to the Cubans. Leaving the Maine disaster out of the question we have good and sufficient reasons for demanding the freedom of Cuba. There need be no war if the Maine incident is eliminated. Cuba will free itself if we grant her beligerent rights, so they can trade with us, borrow money, make seamen sailors instead of pirates, and stop our interfering. Recognizing the independence of Cuba will solve the question."

Is McKinley Betraying His Trust?

By telegraph to the Observer.

NEW YORK, March 16.—A Washington special to this evening's World says: McKinley is seemingly weakening before the money power. The impression is growing that we are going to have peace if we have to crawl on our knees to Spain and cry: "Peace at any price." This crowd has apparently captured him, and there are now unhappily ample reasons to look for the fulfillment of the deep-rooted misgivings as to the form in which the President will "intervene" in Cuba. The utterance by Representative Grosvenor, in which he says that there will be no war with Spain, and that he believes Spain will make proper compensation if she is liable for the disaster to the Maine, is accepted as inspired.

Court of Inquiry to Report Friday.

By telegraph to the Observer.)

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Secretary Long said to-day that the Maine court of inquiry will report Friday or Saturday of this week, and to meet the exigencies which will immediately follow the publication of the report there is redoubled activity both at army and navy departments.

After years of untold suffering from piles. B. W. Pursell of Knitnersville, Pa, was cured by using a single box of De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are readily cured by this famous remedy. King Bros.

Another View.

Raleigh News and Observer.

Discussing the interview of Mr. Kope Elias on fusion, printed in yesterday's News and Observer, Mr. John A. Sims, a member of the Populist State Executive committee said:

"Any man who is in favor of the principles advocated by William Jennings Bryan and opposes co-operation of the silver forces in North Carolina has no right to go into a Democratic or Populist primary or convention."

Much in Little

Is especially true of Hood's Pills, for no medicine ever contained so great curative power in so small space. They are a whole medicine chest, always ready, always efficient, always satisfactory; prevent a cold or fever, cure all liver ills, sick headache, jaundice, constipation, etc. 25c. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Both the method and results when Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, prepared only from the most healthy and agreeable substances, its many excellent qualities commend it to all and have made it the most popular remedy known.

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LOUISVILLE, KY. NEW YORK, N.Y.

A Curious Blunder Well Corrected.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
March 14, 1898.

MR. EDITOR:—In your issue of Saturday last your Reporter laid at my door an amusing blunder which I must hasten to correct and disclaim.

He stated that in a Lecture at the F. M. A. on the preceding evening on "Korea," I "told of many things in connection with the Graeco-Turkish troubles which would be well recorded in history." He missed the point by about 10,000 miles. Korea had about as much to do with the "Graeco Turkish war" as had the Hottentots or Fijians, and I am altogether guiltless of the grave historical blunder of having tried to connect events which are in fact so completely disjoined.

My theme was "Korea as related to the China-Japan War," and I attempted to show that Korea having been the bone of contention between those two countries for centuries finally involved them in armed conflict. Your reporter was not, I believe, present at the Lecture and hence the mistake.

Yours very truly,
H. TUCKER GRAHAM.

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" —ham	8@10
" —sides	7@8
" —shoulders	6@8
Oats—32 lbs per bushel	40@45
Peas—clay	45@50
" —mixed	60
Meal—bolted—44 lbs per bushel	47@55
" —unbolted—48 lbs per bushel	50@50
Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel	47@50
Onions—select—per bushel	90@100
Lard—N. C.	8@8½
Tallow	2½@4
Ducks	18@20
Hens—per head	20@25
Roosters—per head	20
Turkeys—per lb	7 a 8½
Guineas	16
Geese	25 a 35
Butter—choice yellow	25 a 30
Honey—strained—per lb	9 a 10
" —comb—per lb	8 a 13
Eggs—hen—	8 a 9c
Feathers—new	35 a 40

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A lady friend of mine has for several years been troubled with bumps and pimples on her face and neck, for which she used various cosmetics in order to remove them and beautify and improve her complexion; but these local applications were only temporary, and left her skin in worse condition.

I recommended an internal preparation—known as Botanic Blood Balm, (B. B. B.), which I have been using and selling about two years; she used three bottles and all pimples have disappeared; her skin is soft and smooth and her general health much improved. She expresses herself much gratified, and can recommend it to all who are thus affected. Mrs. S. M. WILSON, Iron Mountain, Texas.

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If you are going to Arkansas, Texas, Indian Territory, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona, Oregon, California, or anywhere west of the Mississippi River, you will find it to your interest to communicate with the undersigned.

Solid Trains.

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Free reclining chairs. Write for maps, books, etc. I will take pleasure in calling on you in person and assist you in getting off in good shape. We are the short line to all points west, and the only line to Hot Springs, Ark.

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Traveling Passenger Agent,
No. 103 Read House,
Chattanooga, Tenn.

Last Notice!

All City Taxes not paid in this month will be levied on, war or no war.

Respectfully,
S. W. TILLINGHAST,
March 14 6t Collector.

The rapid increasing demand proves that Goose Grease Liniment is the greatest known remedy for all Aches and Pains, Rheumatism, Croup, Colds, Coughs, etc. It is for man or beast.

Needs No Explanation.

MADISON, N. C., Aug. 4, '97.

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Yours truly,
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HOULTON EARLY ROSE SEED POTATOES.

An extra fine stock of this old standard at

HORNE'S PHARMACY.

North Carolina,
Cumberland County.

In the Superior Court, Nov. Term, 1898.

Lilly & Gray, Executors, vs. Jos. Ray.

Notice of Land Sale.

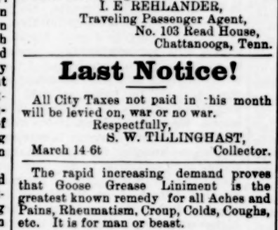
By virtue of the power and authority vested in me by a decree rendered at November Term of Cumberland Superior Court in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale the following property: Ninety-three acres in Carver's Creek Township, State and County above written and bounded as follows: On the north adjoining the lands of W. C. Blackman and the Ray lands; on the west by the lands of Henry Capps, on the south adjoining the Ray lands and the lands of D. B. Calvin; on the east bounded by the lands of John Hodges. See Records of Cumberland County, Book L, No. 4, page 467.

Time of sale. April 9th, 1898, at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., at 12 o'clock M.

Terms: Cash.

S. H. MACRAE,
March 9, 1898. Commissioner.

The Williams Typewriter,



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LEDBETTER BROS.,
Fayetteville Steam Laundry.
'Phone 42.

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Give us a chance and you will be our customer.

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Look at the newspapers from other towns and see what reliable papers say about them. See what

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HUSKE HARDWARE HOUSE."

REPLIES FROM CUMBERLAND.

The Buck stove is giving entire satisfaction. Does the best cooking with the least wood of any stove I ever saw.
G. F. WHEELER.

The stove gives entire satisfaction.
MRS. W. S. COOK.

The stove gives perfect satisfaction.
N. CASHWELL.

I have been using the Buck stove for more than a year and it gives entire satisfaction. J. K. SESSOMS.

We are very much pleased indeed with our Buck stove, and consider it the very best stove we have ever used, as it gives entire satisfaction. C. J. HEDGPETH.

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Chico, the best 5c Cigar KING'S.

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Mine is constantly increasing, and that it may continue to grow

I have leased the large store in the McMillan Block,

one door east of Messrs. A. E. Rankin & Co., which gives me an increased floor space of more than

1,000 Square Feet.

This, with other facilities, will enable me to serve the public, I trust, with greater satisfaction. I will occupy this store March 1st.

R. M. PRIOR,

Wholesale and Retail Grocer.

Phone 52.

SALE OF UNCLAIMED FREIGHT
(Old Hoss Sale.)

By virtue of section 1985 of the Code of North Carolina, I shall sell at public auction at the C. F. & Y. V. Cotton Platform, opposite Passenger Depot in Fayetteville, N. C., on Monday, April 4th, 1898, at 11:00 A. M., a lot of unclaimed freight held by the C. F. & Y. V. R'y Co. for more than 12 months, to pay charges and freight on same, and cost of sale. Terms cash. For list of articles see posters.

JOHN GILL, Receiver
of C. F. & Y. V. R'y Co

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WE no longer supply our seeds to dealers to sell again. At the same time, anyone who has bought our seeds of their local dealer during either 1896 or 1897 will be sent our **Manual of "Everything for the Garden" for 1898 FREE** provided they apply by letter and give the name of the **local merchant from whom they bought.** To all others, this magnificent **Manual,** every copy of which costs us **30 cents** to place in your hands, will be sent free on receipt of **10 cents** (stamps) to cover postage. Nothing like this **Manual** has ever been seen here or abroad; it is a book of **200** pages, contains **500** engravings of seeds and plants, mostly new, and these are supplemented by **6** full size colored plates of the best novelties of the season, finally,

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One box of Tutt's Pills will save many dollars in doctors' bills They will surely cure all diseases of the stomach, liver or bowels.

No Reckless Assertion

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TUTT'S Liver PILLS

THE MAINE DISASTER.

The Montgomery Taking Precautions.

The OBSERVER'S telegraphic news Thursday afternoon was most important, and coming fresh, only a few hours after the events related happened; and by American time, "before they happened in England," it was mighty interesting reading. Friday morning's dailies contained nothing new of importance.

The dispatches tell of open and active preparations being made all over the country for offence and defence. The great war material factories are working night and day. The war clouds are certainly gathering.

A press dispatch this morning from Havana says:

The United States naval court of inquiry into the loss of the battleship Maine is quietly continuing its work and its members are as secretive as usual. So far as can be judged, there have been no important developments recently.

The officers of the Montgomery pay and receive the usual courtesies here, visiting the Spanish admiral and other Spanish officers, who return the visits of the American officers. Captain Converse, of the Montgomery, in company with Consul-General Lee, called on Captain General Blanco today and were received cordially and courteously.

The United States dispatch boat Fern arrived at Key West yesterday morning from Havana. She brought the Maine silverware and sixty rifles recovered from the wreck. Mr. Bissell, stenographer of the court of inquiry was also on board. Both official stenographers have now left the court, and it has only a temporary clerk. This leads many here to think that its work is practically done and that it will return to Key West by or before Saturday.

THE MONTGOMERY.

The "Montgomery" has anchored in front of the "La Machina," near the wreck of the "Maine," and directly facing the "Vizcaya."

There is much comment among the Spaniards over the extraordinary precautions taken by Capt. Converse, of the "Montgomery." The Spanish officers consider this "unexplainable."

Double guards are posted at various points on the cruiser, and every boat which approaches is stopped.

Kipling and De Koven Unite.

Reginald de Koven and Sir Arthur Sullivan have both been commissioned by *The Ladies' Home Journal* to give a musical setting to Rudyard Kipling's great "Recessional" poem written for the Queen's Jubilee. De Koven has has finished his setting of the poem as a hymn with chorus and solo, and the composition will be published in its entirety in a forthcoming issue of *The Ladies' Home Journal*.

WHERE AMERICAN MAGAZINES GO

The wide range of the circulations of American magazines and the manner in which they penetrate the farthest points of the earth found new evidence last week, when a single list of five hundred subscriptions to *The Ladies' Home Journal* was received by that magazine from Bulgaria, the list being headed by the name of Her Royal Highness, the Princess Maria Louise. George Kennan, the Siberian traveler, said that he found this magazine in homes on the steppes of Siberia, while Peary met with it in Greenland. It is an interesting fact that *The Ladies' Home Journal* has subscriptions in fifty-nine of the sixty-five generally accepted civilized nations of the earth. During the single month of December last, for instance, it received subscriptions from Syria, Japan, Uruguay, Turkey, Congo Free State, Transvaal, Liberia, Natal, Sierra Leone, Zululand, Bavaria, Bahamas, Burmah, Brazil, Bohemia, Canary Islands, Honduras, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, San Salvador, Chili, China, Egypt, Cuba, Fiji Islands, Germany, Hawaii, Madras Presidency, Hungary, Korea, Java, Straits Settlements, Malaysia, Siam, Samoa, Palestine, Peru, Portugal, Tasmania and the Danish West Indies.

Dynamite and Guns.

Wednesday a car loaded with dynamite passed through here on the A. C. L. going south and the day before an other big gun went through. The Government is certainly putting our southern coast in better condition to withstand invasion.

A Valuable Map.

We have received from Mr. H. C. Brown, Secretary of the North Carolina Railroad Commission, "The Rail road Commissioners' Map of North Carolina, for 1897." It is a valuable publication.

A HAPPY WOMAN.

Writes to Dr. Hartman and Tells Him What Makes Her So

Mrs. Lucy Lee, of Naples, Tex, had almost come to the conclusion that the blessing of health was no longer hers, and so when she regained it, her happiness was almost too great for words She writes as follows: "I am well now and am enjoying good health, better than ever before in my life How happy I feel that I can write and tell you this. I cannot praise Pe-ru-na too much Man-a-lin is the best medicine I have ever tried for that purpose; it relieved me from all pain. I advised my neighbor to use Pe-ru-na and Man-a-lin for catarrh and stomach trouble It is the best in the world. I can do all my housework and not feel it I can't praise Pe-ru-na as I would like to; it is the greatest medicine there is in the world."

Dr Hartman receives many such letters as this every week. Some of them have been gathered together and published in book form. This book is called "Facts and Faces," and will be sent free to any address by The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

MIGHTY CONTRASTS.

EARTHLY EYESIGHT COMPARED WITH CELESTIAL VISION.

Rev. Dr. Talmage Shows How Inadequate Is Human Conception of God—The Great Majority Will Be Saved—Joys of Heaven Are Past Man's Understanding.

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WASHINGTON, March 6.—This discourse of Dr. Talmage is one of mighty contrasts, and the dimness of earthly eyesight as compared with the vividness of celestial eyesight is illustrated. The text is I Corinthians xiii, 12, "For now we see through a glass, darkly, but then face to face."

The Bible is the most forceful and pungent of books. While it has the sweetness of a mother's hush for human trouble, it has all the keenness of a scimeter and the crushing power of a lightning bolt. It portrays with more than a painter's power, at one stroke picturing a heavenly throne and a judgment conflagration. The strings of this great harp are fingered by all the splendors of the future, now sounding with the crackle of consuming worlds, now thrilling with the joy of the everlasting emancipated. It tells how one forbidden tree in the garden blasted the earth with sickness and death and how another tree, though leafless and bare, yet planted on Calvary, shall yield a fruit which shall more than antidote the poison of the other. It tells how the red ripe clusters of God's wrath were brought to the wine press and Jesus trod them out, and how at last all the golden chalices of heaven shall glow with the wine of that awful vintage. It dazzles the eye with an Ezekiel's vision of wheel and wing and fire and whirlwind and stoops down so low that it can put its lips to the ear of a dying child and say, "Come up higher."

And yet Paul, in my text, takes the reponsibility of saying that it is only an indistinct mirror and that its mission shall be suspended. I think there may be one Bible in heaven, fastened to the throne. Just as now, in a museum, we have a lamp exhumed from Herculaneum or Nineveh, and we look at it with great interest and say, "How poor a light it must have given compared with our modern lamps!" so I think that this Bible, which was a lamp to our feet in this world, may lie near the throne of God, exciting our interest to all eternity by the contrast between its comparatively feeble light and the illumination of heaven. The Bible now is the scaffolding to the rising temple, but when the building is done there will be no use for the scaffolding.

Human Ignorance.

The idea I shall develop today is that in this world our knowledge is comparatively dim and unsatisfactory, but nevertheless is introductory to grander and more complete vision. This is eminently true in regard to our view of God. We hear so much about God that we conclude that we understand him. He is represented as having the tenderness of a father, the firmness of a judge, the majesty of a king and the love of a mother. We hear about him, talk about him, write about him. We lisp his name in infancy, and it trembles on the tongue of the dying octogenarian. We think that we know very much about him. Take the attribute of mercy. Do we understand it? The Bible blossoms all over with that word—mercy. It speaks again and again of the tender mercies of God; of the sure mercies; of the great mercies; of the mercy that endureth forever; of the multitude of his mercies. And yet I know that the views we have of this great being are most indefinite, one sided and incomplete. When at death the gates shall fly open and we shall look directly upon him, how new and surprising! We see upon canvas a picture of the morning. We study the cloud in the sky, the dew upon the grass and the husbandman on the way to the field. Beautiful picture of the morning! But we rise at daybreak and go up on a hill to see for ourselves that which was represented to us. While we look the mountains are transfigured. The burnished gates of heaven swing open and shut, to let past a host of fiery splendors. The clouds are all abloom and hang pendent from arbors of alabaster and amethyst. The waters make pathway of inlaid pearl for the light to walk upon, and there is morning on the sea. The crags uncover their scarred visage, and there is morning among the mountains. Now you go home, and how tame your picture of the morning seems in contrast! Greater than that shall be the contrast between this Scriptural view of God and that which we shall have when standing face to face. This is a picture of the morning that will be the morning itself.

A Magnificent Unfolding.

Again, my text is true of the Saviour's excellency. By image and sweet rhythm of expression and startling antithesis Christ is set forth—his love, his compassion, his work, his life, his death, his resurrection. We are challenged to measure it, to compute it, to weigh it. In the hour of our broken enthrallment we mount up into high experience of his love and shout until the countenance glows and the blood bounds and the whole nature is exhilarated, "I have found him!" And yet it is through a glass, darkly. We see not half of that compassionate face. We feel not half the warmth of that loving heart. We wait for death to let us rush into his outspread arms. Then we shall be face to face. Not shadow then, but substance. Not hope then, but the fulfilling of all prefigurement. That will be a magnificent unfolding. The rushing out in view of all hidden excellency, the coming again of a long absent Jesus to meet us—not in rags and in penury and death, but amid a light and pomp and outbursting joy such as none but a glorified intelligence could experience. Oh, to gaze full upon the brow that was lacerated, upon the side that was pierced, upon the feet that were nailed, to stand close up in the presence of him who prayed for us on the mountain and thought of us by the sea and agonized for us in the garden and died for us in horrible crucifixion, to feel of him, to embrace him, to take his hand, to kiss his feet, to run our fingers along the scars of ancient suffering, to say: "This is my Jesus. He gave himself for me. I shall never leave his presence. I shall forever behold his glory. I shall eternally hear his voice. Lord Jesus, now I see thee. I behold where the blood started, where the tears coursed, where the face was distorted. I have waited for this hour. I shall never turn my back on thee. No more looking through imperfect glasses. No more studying thee in the darkness. But as long as this throne stands and this everlasting river flows and those garlands bloom and these arches of victory remain to greet home heaven's conquerors so long I shall see thee, Jesus of my choice, Jesus of my song, Jesus of my triumph, forever and forever, face to face."

God's Providence.

The idea of the text is just as true when applied to God's providence. Who has not come to some pass in life thoroughly inexplicable? You say: "What does this mean? What is God going to do with me now? He tells me that all things work together for good. This does not look like it." You continue to study the dispensation and after awhile guess about what God means. "He means to teach me this. I think he means to teach me that. Perhaps it is to humble my pride. Perhaps it is to make me feel more dependent. Perhaps to teach me the uncertainty of life." But after all it is only a guess—a looking through the glass, darkly. The Bible assures us there shall be a satisfactory unfolding. "What I do thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter." You will know why God took to himself that only child. Next door there was a household of seven children. Why not take one from that group instead of your only one? Why single out the dwelling in which there was only one heart beating responsive to yours? Why did God give you a child at all if he meant to take it away? Why fill the cup of your gladness brimming if he meant to dash it down? Why allow all the tendrils of your heart to wind around that object, and then, when every fiber of your own life seemed to be interlocked with the child's life, with strong hand to tear you apart, until you fall, bleeding and crushed, your dwelling desolate, your hopes blasted, your heart broken? Do you suppose that God will explain that? Yea. He will make it plainer than any mathematical problem—as plain as that two and two make four. In the light of the throne you will see that it was right—all right. "Just and true are all thy ways, thou King of saints."

The Explanation.

Here is a man who cannot get on in the world. He always seems to buy at the wrong time and to sell at the worst disadvantage. He tries this enterprise and fails, that business and is disappointed. The man next door to him has a lucrative trade, but he lacks customers. A new prospect opens. His income is increased. But that year his family are sick, and the profits are expended in trying to cure the ailments. He gets a discouraged look, becomes faithless as to success, begins to expect disasters. Others wait for something to turn up, he waits for it to turn down. Others with only half as much education and character get on twice as well. He sometimes guesses as to what it all means. He says: "Perhaps riches would spoil me. Perhaps poverty is necessary to keep me humble. Perhaps I might if things were otherwise be tempted into dissipations." But there is no complete solution of the mystery. He sees through a glass darkly and must wait for a higher unfolding. Will there be an explanation? Yes. God will take that man in the light of the throne and say: "Child immortal, hear the explanation. You remember the failing of that great enterprise, your misfortune in 1857, your disaster in 1867. This is the explanation." And you will answer, "It is all right."

Mysteries Made Clear.

I see every day profound mysteries of providence. There is no question we ask oftener than, Why? There are hundreds of graves in Oak Hill and Greenwood and Laurel Hill that need to be explained. Hospitals for the blind and lame, asylums for the idiotic and insane, almshouses for the destitute and a world of pain and misfortune that demand more than human solution. Ah, God will clear it all up! In the light that pours from the throne no dark mystery can live. Things now utterly inscrutable will be illumined as plainly as though the answer were written on the jasper wall or sounded in the temple anthem. Bartimeus will thank God that he was blind, and Lazarus that he was covered with sores, and Joseph that he was cast into the pit, and Daniel that he denned with lions, and Paul that he was humpbacked, and David that he was driven from Jerusalem, and that sewing woman that she could get only a few pence for making a garment, and that invalid that for 20 years he could not lift his head from the pillow, and that widow that she had such hard work to earn bread for her children. You know that in a song different voices carry different parts. The sweet and overwhelming part of the halleluiah of heaven will not be carried by those who rode in high places and gave sumptuous entertainments, but pauper children will sing it, beggars will sing it, redeemed hod carriers will sing it, those who were once the offscouring of earth will sing it. The halleluiah will be all the grander for earth's weeping eyes and aching heads and exhausted hands and scourged backs and martyred agonies.

Few Will Be Lost.

Again, the thought of the text is just when applied to the enjoyments of the righteous in heaven. I think we have but little idea of the number of the righteous in heaven. Infidels say, "Your heaven will be a very small place compared with the world of the lost, for, according to your teaching, the majority of men will be destroyed." I deny the charge. I suppose that the multitude of the finally lost, as compared with the multitude of the finally saved, will be a handful. I suppose that the few sick people in the hospital today as compared with the hundreds of thousands of well people in the city would not be smaller than the number of those who shall be cast out in suffering compared with those who shall have upon them the health of heaven. For we are to remember that we are living in comparatively the beginning of the Christian dispensation, and that this world is to be populated and redeemed, and that ages of light and love are to flow on. If this be so, the multitudes of the saved will be in vast majority.

Take all the congregations that have today assembled for worship. Put them together and they would make but a small audience compared with the thousands, and tens of thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand, and the hundred and forty and four thousand that shall stand around the throne. Those flashed up to heaven in martyr fires; those tossed for many years upon the invalid couch; those fought in the armies of liberty and rose as they fell; those tumbled from high scaffoldings or slipped from the mast or were washed off into the sea. They came up from Corinth, from Laodicea, from the Red sea bank and Genesareth's wave, from Egyptian brickyards and Gideon's thrashing floor. Those, thousands of years ago, slept the last sleep, and these are this moment having their eyes closed and their limbs stretched out for the sepulcher.

A general expecting an attack from the enemy stands on a hill and looks through a fieldglass and sees in the great distance multitudes approaching, but has no idea of their numbers. He says: "I cannot tell anything about them. I merely know that there are a great number." And so John, without attempting to count, says, "A great multitude that no man can number."

Joy of Heaven.

We are told that heaven is a place of happiness, but what do we know about happiness? Happiness in this world is only a half fledged thing, a flowery path with a serpent hissing across it, a broken pitcher from which the water has dropped before we could drink it, a thrill of exhilaration, followed by disastrous reactions. To help us understand the joy of heaven the Bible takes us to a river. We stand on the grassy bank. We see the waters flow on with ceaseless wave. But the filth of the cities is emptied into it, and the banks are torn, and unhealthy exhalations spring up from it, and we fail to get an idea of the river of life in heaven.

We get very imperfect ideas of the reunions of heaven. We think of some festal day on earth when father and mother were yet living and the children came home. A good time that! But it had this drawback—all were not there. That brother went off to sea and never was heard from. That sister—did we not lay her away in the freshness of her young life, never more in this world to look upon her? Ah, there was a skeleton at the feast, and tears mingled with our laughter on that Christmas day. Not so with heaven's reunions. It will be an uninterrupted gladness. Many a Christian parent will look around and find all his children there. "Ah," he says, "can it be possible that we are all here—life's perils over? The Jordan passed and not one wanting? Why, even the prodigal is here. I almost gave him up. How long he despised my counsels! But grace hath triumphed. All here, all here! Tell the mighty joy through the city. Let the bells ring and the angels mention it in their song. Wave it from the top of the walls. All here!"

Face to Face.

No more breaking of heartstrings, but face to face. The orphans that were left poor and in a merciless world, kicked and cuffed of many hardships, shall join their parents, over whose graves they so long wept, and gaze into their glorified countenances forever, face to face. We may come up from different parts of the world, one from the land and another from the depths of the sea, from lives affluent and prosperous, or from scenes of ragged distress, but we shall all meet in rapture and jubilee, face to face.

Many of our friends have entered upon that joy. A few days ago they sat with us studying these gospel themes, but they only saw through a glass, darkly. Now revelation hath come. Your time will also come. God will not leave you floundering in the darkness. You stand wonder struck and amazed. You feel as if all the loveliness of life were dashed out. You stand gazing into the open chasm of the grave. Wait a little. In the presence of your departed and of him who carries them in his bosom you shall soon stand face to face. Oh, that our last hour may kindle up with this promised joy! May we be able to say, like the Christian not long ago departing, "Though a pilgrim, walking through the valley, the mountain tops are gleaming from peak to peak," or, like my dear friend and brother, Alfred Cookman, who took his flight to the throne of God, saying in his last moment that which has already gone into Christian classics, "I am sweeping through the pearly gate, washed in the blood of the Lamb."

The McLean Twins.

The OBSERVER several weeks ago announced that the old batchelors Hugh and Hector McLean, were the oldest twins in the world and gave a short sketch of their lives. A week or two later the New York World sent a reporter down here to write them up. As a result the World published a long account of their lives, accompanied by excellent pictures of them.

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Correspondence of the Observer.

To the Editor of the Observer, Fayetteville, N. C.

Dear Sir:—I wish to express my feelings through the columns of your paper in regard to the dear old battle ship of our country (the Maine) which was destroyed in the harbor of a foreign country (Spain), and I sincerely hope that members of the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry Company, who still recognize the grey which their fathers and grandfathers wore on the battle field figuting for their country will agree with me on this point. But "he that hath no stomach to this fight, let him depart."

Now, what I wish to say is, that I have heard and am glad that the Independent Company has offered her services, if it be necessary, to fight against a country which, beyond a reasonable doubt, has destroyed a portion of America—the decks of the battle ship Maine—as well as the lives of her crew. I (London Walker) am perfectly willing to go to the front any time they may call upon me in behalf of the Independent Company, for I want *everybody* to understand that I am a thoroughbred Andrew Jackson Democrat, if I am colored.

I hope that the United States will not think about accepting money for what she has lost in Spain. but that she will authorize her people to show Spain who and what she is.

Now, let us all make a self case of it. Suppose that one of the Spanish war vessels, while sleeping peacefully in one of the United States' harbors had been destroyed, as the Maine was, don't you know that Spain would have enough of "spunk" to fight for her rights, or most any other country? Yes, and why not the United States do likewise?

Now, I think that it is time for everybody to show their love for their country, that is if they have any.

I wish to state just here before I close that, if it was in my power, I would appoint Maj. W. F. Campbell the staff officer for North Carolina, in case the U. S. should fight Spain.

Yours, very truly,
LONDON WALKER, (Col.)
Fayetteville, N. C., March 4, 1898.

Let the Committee Sit With Open Doors.

Raleigh correspondent Wilmington Messenger)

Your correspondent was told that at the recent meeting of the democratic state committee one of its members proposed to change the party name to "democratic peoples party." No resolution was introduced. Inquiry was made today as to who the member was and in reply it was said that Robert M. Winston, of Durham, probably knows something about the matter.

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Leave Rural Hall,	6 15 "
Arrive Mt. Airy,	7 45 "

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Leave Mt. Airy,	8 40 a m
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Leave Walnut Cove,	10 33 "
Leave Stokesdale,	11 06 "
Arrive Greensboro,	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro,	12 17 p m
Leave Climax,	12 45 "
Leave Sanford,	2 36 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction,	3 55 "
Arrive Fayetteville,	4 00 "
Leave Fayetteville,	4 10 "
Arrive Wilmington,	7 20 "

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Leave Bennettsville,	8 00 a m
Arrive Maxton,	9 02 "
Leave Maxton,	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 25 "
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Leave Fayetteville,	4 50 p m
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Leave Maxton,	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville,	7 15 "

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Leave Ramseur,	9 40 a m
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Leave Greensboro,	9 35 "
Leave Stokesdale,	11 07 "
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	A. M.	P. M.	P. M	A. M.	P. M.
Le ve Weldon	11 52	9 43			
Ar rocky Mt.	12 55	10 36			
Le ve Tarboro	12 12		6 01		
Lv Rocky Mt,	1 00	10 36	6 45	5 40	12 47
Leave Wilson	2 20	11 16	7 17	6 22	2 37
Leave Selma	3 15	.....			
Lv Fayetteville	4 47	1 14			
Ar Florence	7 35	3 15			
	P. M.	A. M.			
Ar Goldsboro	.....	.....		8 00	.....
Lv Goldsboro	.....	.....		7 01	3 30
Lv Magnolia	.....	.....		8 05	4 36
Ar Wilmington	.....	.....		9 30	5 50
				P. M.	A. M. P. M

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

	No 78 Daily	No 164 Daily ex Sunday	No 38. Daily.	No 40. Daily.	No 48. Daily
	A. M.		P. M.		
Lv Florence	9 40		2 15		
Lv Fayetteville	12 13		10 15		
Leave Selma	1 47				
Arrive Wilson	2 35		12 09		
		A. M.		P. M.	A. M.
Lv Wilmington				7 15	9 35
Lv Magnolia				8 55	11 08
Lv Goldsboro		5 00		10 10	12 05
Leave Wilson	P. M. 2 35	5 36	12 12	11 20	12 55
Ar Rocky Mt.	3 29	6 15	12 49	11 57	1 40
Ar Tarboro		6 45			
Leave Tarboro	12 12				
Lv Rocky Mt.	3 29		12 49		
Arrive Weldon	4 33		1 42		
	P. M.		A. M	P. M.	

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